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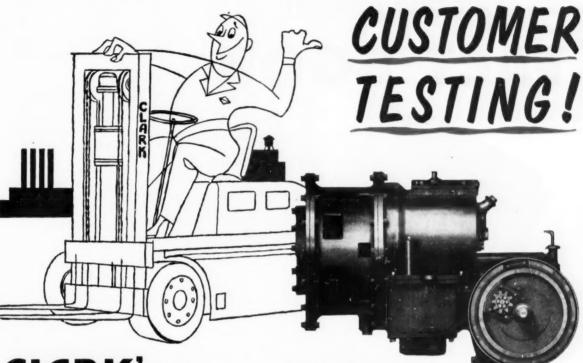
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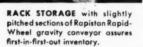
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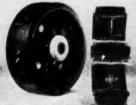
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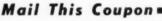
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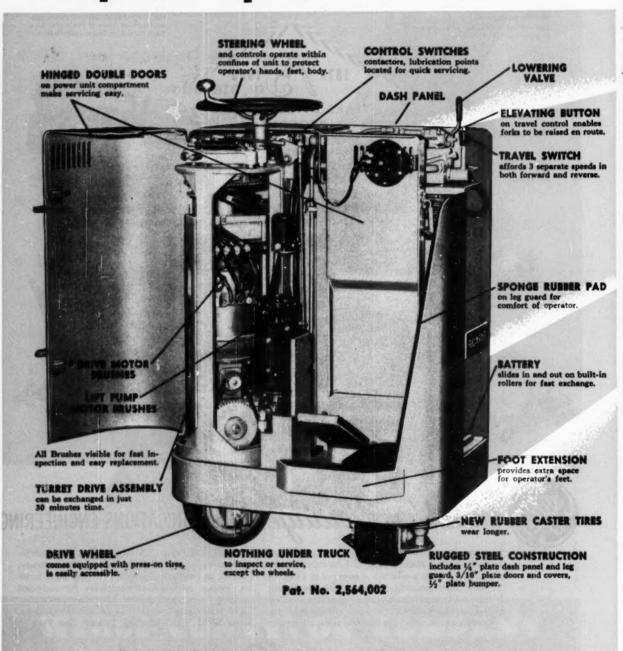
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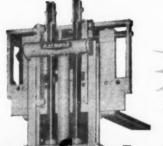
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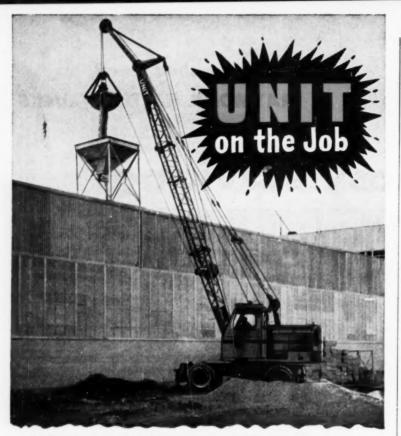
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supervision of Ray E. Bloomstrand, formerly of the firm's Chicago staff. Vern G. Hagg has been transferred from the mill sales staff to the Chicago office and James J. Fitzpatrick has joined the company's Ridgwood, N. J., staff.

John B. Pruitt has been named the Baltimore representative for C & D Batteries, Inc., according to Samuel W. Gibb, vice president in charge of sales. Pruitt formerly was associated with the Thomas A. Edison Inc. and also gained considerable experience in the battery field during his two years in the submarine service and Naval Research Laboratory.

Kramer Handling Equipment Co. has been appointed distributor for Beacon power-operated dock ramps and allied material handling equipment manufactured by Beacon Machinery Inc. The firm is located in Kansas City, Mo., and will service in addition to that immediate area, all of the state of Kansas and the western portion of Missouri. John Kramer is president of the company.

Fenton Hall has been appointed general sales manager of material handling equipment for the British division of the Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., it has been announced by Philip B. Niles, vice president. Hall has been transferred to England from Chicago where he served as export sales manager for Automatic Transportation Co., a division of Yale & Towne. Most of his time since joining Automatic in 1945 has been spent abroad directing the sales of material handling equip-



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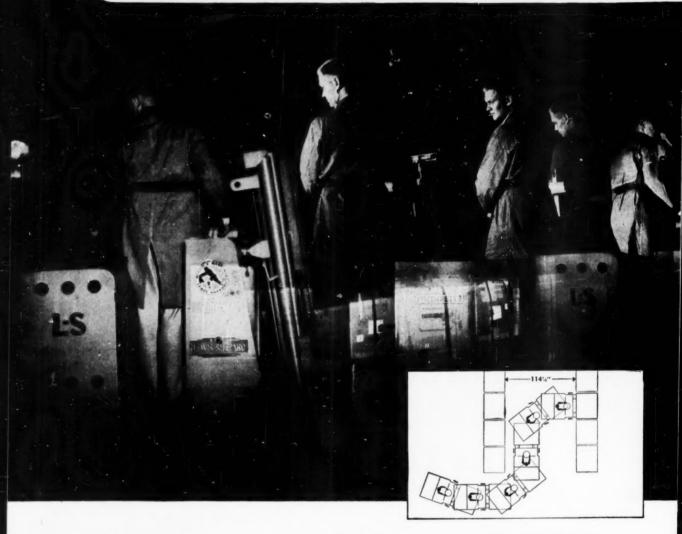
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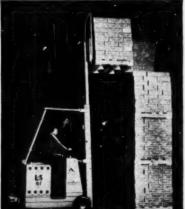
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Paint Mfr.	1	L-S	in	use	0000e	reordered	6
Motor Transport	1	L-5	in	use	_	reordered	12
Auto Mfg.	4	1-5	in	use	_	reordered	1
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• Recently elected president of the Detroit section of the

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Michigan. Dr. Dr. Schwartz Schwartz is widely known throughout the engineering field, having served as a consultant on numerous engineering projects by private industry and the Navy. He had been teaching at Pratt Institute for 10 years before going to Michigan.

- A Material Handling Division for the National organization has been formally established in the Society for the Advancement of Management (SAM), headed by Vice President Donald W. Pennock of Carrier Corporation, Syracuse, N. Y. Mr. Pennock is the past president of the AMHS.
- The Cleveland Chapter of the American Material Handling Society renewed its activity with an initial Fall meeting September 24. A field trip through the new Ford Motor Co. foundry in Cleveland preceded the evening dinner and meeting. Ford Paddock, factory manager, was the tour guide. On October 22, J. G. Anderson, material handling consultant and instructor at Wayne university material handling laboratory in Detroit, will be guest speaker. His topic will be "Starting a Material Handling Program From Scratch."

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#### NEWS VIEWS TRENDS

#### SHAREHOLDERS OF BUDA TO CONSIDER EXCHANGE OF ASSETS

A special meeting of the shareholders of The Buda Company has been called to consider an agreement and plan of reorganization providing for exchange of all assets of the firm for shares of Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company. The plan provides for exchange of all Buda assets for the Allis-Chalmers shares at the rate of one share of Allis-Chalmers common stock for each 2 1/6 common shares of The Buda Company. There are 413,498 Buda shares of common stock outstanding. A letter to approximately 2500 Buda shareholders containing proxies for the special meeting, signed by Stewart S. Hathaway, chairman, and Ralph K. Mangan, president, said Buda directors had unanimously approved the plan. They recommended similar approval by the shareholders "because of the favorable exchange ratio." The Allis-Chalmers board of directors has approved the plan, according to W. A. Roberts, Allis-Chalmers president.

#### FORMS BUMPER CORPORATION

Max Pollack, who originally operated as an individual designing, pioneering and promoting rubber dock bumpers for use on loading docks, has formed a corporation to be known as BUMPERS, INC. The address is 1875 Forest Hills Blvd., East Cleveland 12, Ohio.

#### CHAIN BELT BUYS SHAFER

Chain Belt Company of Milwaukee has announced the purchase of Shafer Bearing Corporation for the purpose of broadening the markets for its power transmission products. The new addition will operate as Shafer Bearing Division of Chain Belt Company. No change is made in the management responsibility. R. P. Tennes, former president, becomes division manager; M. J. Tennes Jr., factory manager; H. E. Tennes, sales manager, A. H. Williams, chief engineer; H. R. Lucas, controller; Gordon Terris, director of distributor sales.

#### CATERPILLAR EXPANDS

Selection of Decatur, Illinois, as the site of a new manufacturing plant has been announced by Caterpillar Tractor Company. Facilities of the new plant will be devoted to the manufacture of motor graders and industrial wheel tractors. L. B. Neumiller, president, also announced the creation of an Engine Division, a new major component of the company. Several separate groups in the company which build engines to special arrangements will now be brought together within the new division.

#### G. E. ESTABLISHES NEW DEPARTMENT

The establishment of a Direct-Current Motor and Generator Department in the General Electric Company has been announced by James M. Crawford, vice-president and general manager of the G. E. Motor and Generator Division. Oscar L. Dunn, appointed general manager of the new department, which will be located in Erie, Pa., explained that it will assume all duties and responsibilities of the company's former D-C Motor and Generator Planning Study. In addition, the department will have responsibility for the d-c and synchronous motor and generator lines which are now manufactured by the company's Large Motor and Generator Department at Fort Wayne, Ind., and the armored motor line produced at Erie by the Medium Induction Motor Department.



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#### BASSICK PURCHASES K & J CASTER LINE

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#### HANDLING CLINIC TO MEET IN BOSTON

The second in a series of "Traveling Clinics" on material handling scheduled by The Material Handling Institute will convene October 2 at the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel in Boston at the request of, and in cooperation with, the New England Chapter, American Material Handling Society. The purpose of these clinics is to develop among users a better understanding of the correct application of material handling equipment to industry's most pressing problems.

#### NEW NAME FOR VISUAL

Homer H. Dasey, president of "Visual" Planning Equipment Co., Inc., has announced a change in corporate name. The new name is "Visual" Plant Layouts Inc. The change was made in the interest of clarity and explanation of the type of business done, and the management. personnel and services remain the same.

#### SPEEDWAY HIKES PRODUCTION

Speedways Conveyors has moved into a new location at 202-208 Rhode Island Street, Buffalo. Covering approximately 50,000 square feet, this new location provides twice as much space as the plant recently vacated. Manufacture of the company's gravity conveyors and belt conveyors will be increased 100 percent.

#### MECH. HANDLING ACQUIRES LOUDEN

Acquisition of Louden Machinery Company of Fairfield. Iowa, by Mechanical Handling Systems, Inc., of Detroit, has been disclosed by W. V. Casgrain, MHS President. Purchase price was said to be in excess of \$2,000,000. Casgrain said that addition of the Iowa firm would enable his company to expand its operations in the field of material handling equipment as well as add several new lines to the products now engineered and produced by MHS. The Louden plant will continue to operate in Fairfield. After the signing of papers for the transfer, Casgrain was elected President; W. L. Fry, associated with Louden for many years, was named Vice President and General Manager. Other officers include R. W. Louden, Vice President; A. S. Labagh, Treasurer; and J. G. Barwise, Secretary. These officers, together with Leonard J. Bishop and E. E. Saperston, complete the new Board of Directors.

#### NATIONAL STARCH GETS QM CONTRACT

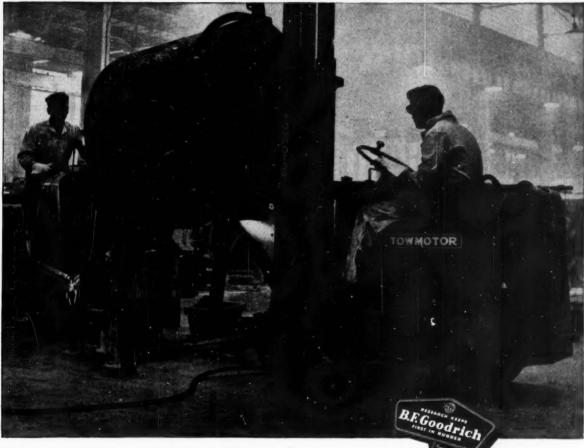
The Office of the Quartermaster General has announced that a research and development contract has been awarded to National Starch Products Inc. for the development of an improved adhesive for packaging of Quartermaster items for overseas shipment. The new program calls for an adhesive to be developed which will seal closures on all presently-known types of waterproof barrier materials, case-liners, fiberboards and coated papers. The sealed closures must be able to withstand the effects of exposure to a temperature of  $-60^{\circ}$  F to  $165^{\circ}$  F, and a relative humidity range from 20 to 90 percent. Also within the scope of the project will be studies to determine the effects of the various treated surfaces of barrier material and fiberboard on the bonding properties of adhesives.

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The executive group, headed by such men as Del S. Harder of Ford Motor Company, Harvey Campbell of the Detroit Board of Commerce, and Herbert O. Horning of Chrysler Corporation, formed a committee and asked Wayne to establish such a center. Promised financial support, Wayne (which already had done some pioneering work in the field) agreed and named one of its top professors, Dr. Spencer A. Larsen, to direct the new program.

#### Idea Becomes Reality

Instructors, most of whom had had previous teaching experience, were recruited from professionals who had reached the top in their respective fields.

Commercial and industrial firms not only provided financial support, but generously loaned both men and equipment. Ford Motor Company's staffs in plant engineering, purchasing and production programming and control assisted with instruction in automation of material handling and production control. The General Motors Corporation staff in material handling and packaging helped with instruction on materials management and product preservation.

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New York Central Railroad gave special aid in developing units of instruction in loading rail freight cars, highway trucks, ships and planes. Operations men at J. L. Hudson assisted with courses on warehousing and automatic control of commercial processes. Traffic representatives of the Detroit Board of Commerce, together with traffic managers, fashioned a course in industrial traffic. Mc-Carthy-Root. Inc., made available its expert staff and modern plant facilities for courses in package development and product preservation.

Facilities for package testing and load utilization were given to the Center by Acme Steel Company. Many other firms and organizations made notable contributions to the successful establishment of the unique university department.

#### The Center Grows

The actual training program, offering ten courses, was launched in September, 1952. A total of 273 men, representing 87 companies, enrolled. Many of the men had had years of experience in the field, but welcomed the chance to enlarge their background with comprehensive training. Six courses were added in the second semester, and enrollment climbed to 629, from more than 150 firms.

This year's program, twice as extensive as last year's, will include 37 courses which can merit a certificate of attainment in various fields, or a newly-created degree in material handling engineering. The degree program is accredited by the Engineers Council for Professional Development.

Says Dr. Larsen, "The outlook for the continued growth and expansion of the Center is excellent. Prior to its establishment, no formal training facilities were available. Men went on the job 'green', and picked up what they could as they went along. Now they not only have a fundamental knowledge of proper material handling, but bring with them ideas for improvement.

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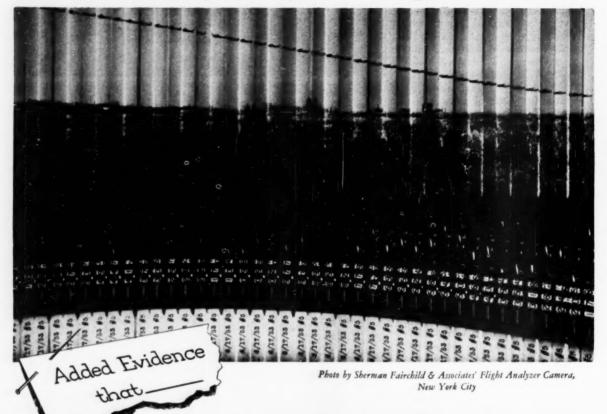
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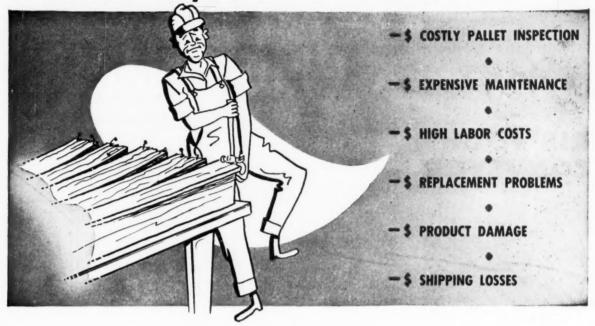
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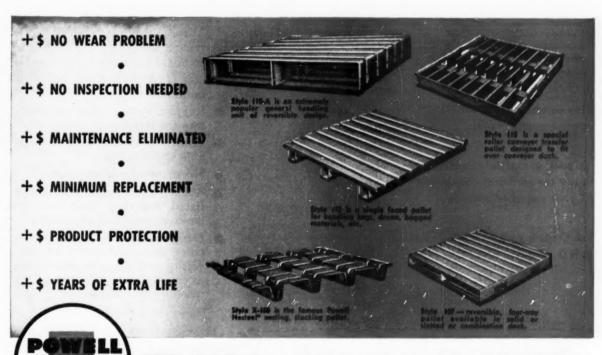
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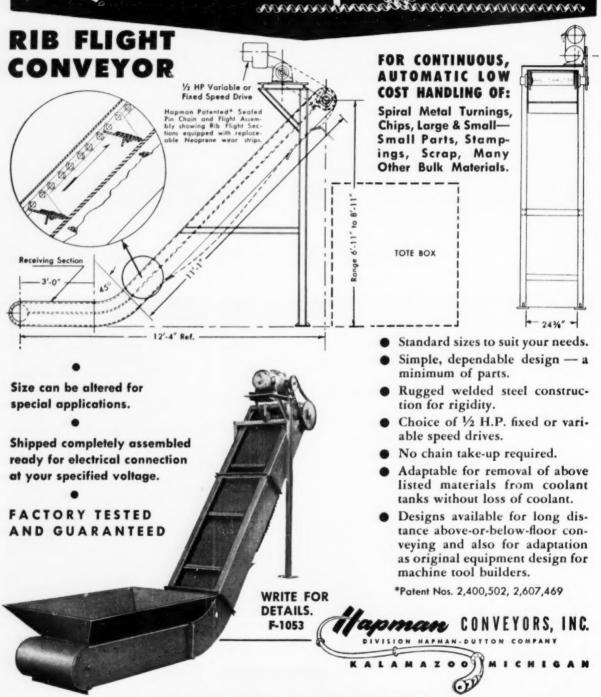
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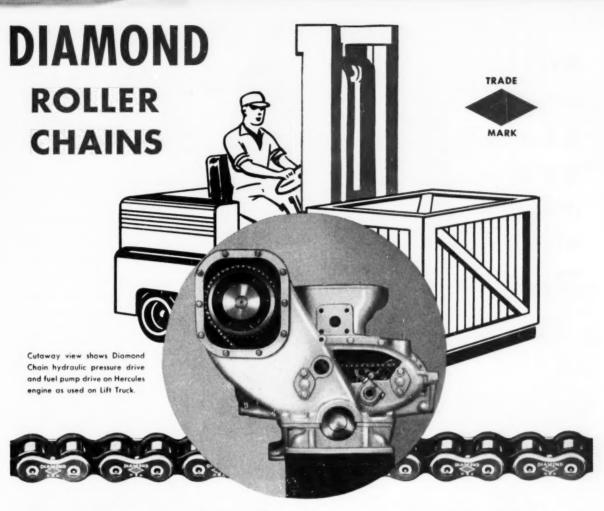




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#### Your savings add up to 30%

Twice in a row Rapistan's new MB wheel saves you money. First, it costs about 10% less than the average molded-on wheel. Second, you save money on replacement when the tire is worn. You don't discard the wheel. You don't ship it back for retread. You simply replace its steel-bonded tire quickly and inexpensively. Result—a whopping 30% saving compared to molded-on rubber wheels.

#### Proved beyond 28 doubts!

Grueling laboratory "punishment" tests, and comparative service tests conducted for six months in 28 leading plants have proved the Rapistan MB is it—superior beyond doubt. The results of these tests are yours for the asking. Write for the facts and judge for yourself.

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. . . at Hinde & Dauch Paper Co.

One hundred years of service is represented by two veteran employes who were awarded 50-year pins recently by company president, Charles E. Frohman. Henry M. Ulmer, maintenance man, and Harry W. Abele, production expediter, each began his career in 1903 at the Sandusky, Ohio, plant. They bring the total to 14 employes who have won the distinction.



Left to right: Charles E. Frohman, Henry M. Ulmer, Harry W. Abele

... at Evans Products Co.

E. S. Evans Jr., president, has announced the appointment

of Donald R. Ward as assistant to the president. Before assuming his new duties, Ward was director of manufacturing schedules at the Evans Co. He



D. R. Ward

joined the firm in 1949 after previous associations with Burroughs, Lockheed, Wright Aeronautical and Kaiser-Fraser.

. . . at Colson Corp.

J. Edgar Glass, general manager and executive vice presi-

# Acme Steel Strapping Insures S.A. (State Accional)

Secures tractor parts for long-distance hauling
. . . saves time and trouble for International Harvester



STRAPPING ON A TRACTOR. When International Harvester ships crawler tractors on open railroad flatcars, Acme Steel Strapping ties tool boxes, lubrication equipment and seat cushions in place for the journey.



SOLE SUPPORT for these IH Diesel engines is one Acme Steelstrap per engine. It secures the engine to a pallet for easy handling.

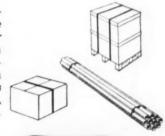


4,000 POUNDS of tractor dashboards are bundled together with Acme Steel Strapping for delivery from one International Harvester plant to another.

Whenever you receive anything secured with Acme Steel Strapping, you know that the shipper has taken care to get it to you safe. He has also beat the threat of damage-intransit and has cut the cost of packing and shipping, too.

Acme Steel Strapping does all these things. It makes packing and loading easier and faster. It provides better protection during shipment, and helps insure S.A. (Safe Arrival).

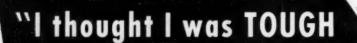
Almost certainly, Acme Steel Strapping or Acme Steel Stitching Wire methods can help somewhere in *your* operation. If you have any kind of a shipping or materials-handling problem, we may have just the idea you need. Write Acme Steel Products Division, Dept. F-103, ACME STEEL COMPANY, 2840 Archer Avenue, Chicago 8, Illinois.



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# BUFFALO Conveyor BELTS"

"Being a Purchasing Agent all my working life, I thought I at least knew something about being tough, buying tough and finding products that were tough. My first experience with Buffalo Conveyor Belts was a completely NEW experience for ME and it will be for you."

They're made TOUGHER! Buffalo Conveyor Belts are made from the toughest cotton yarn available on the market. They're woven TIGHTER by our exclusive Wov-In-Wear weaving process on our own specially-designed looms. They last LONGER! Tougher yarns and tighter weaving naturally mean longer life for any Conveyor Belt. However, you never pay a premium for any Buffalo Conveyor Belt... just the regular established price! Yet

users tell us they last years longer. Ask your mill supply man to show you the difference!



If you must convey items that have a tendency to stick to the belt, such as packaged cheese, frozen food, small machine parts, etc., this Paraffin Treated Belt will suit you to a "T". Odorless, water-proof, this clear-colored belt is ideally suited for slide bed operations; long lived and economical.

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#### MEN IN THE NEWS

Continued

dent of the company, has been named president to succeed Neely Powers, who retired recently. Powers will remain, however, as a member of the board and will serve in an advisory capacity. Following the sale of the company last spring to the Pritzker Bros., of Chicago, Robert Pritzker was named vice president in charge of manufacturing.

#### ... at Lewis-Shepard Co.

The appointment of W. L. Sheffield to the post of chief

engineer has been announced by F. J. Shepard Jr., treasurer and general manager of the firm. Sheffield brings with him 22 years of en-



gineering expe- W. L. Sheffield rience. He formerly was chief engineer of the development and research section of Anderson-Nichols & Co., well-known Boston consultant engineering

#### . . . at Forker Corp.

Virgil E. Slater has become sales manager, according to a recent announcement by J. Bentley Forker, president. Previously, Slater was associated with Industrial Crane & Hoist Corp., and at one time operated his own material handling equipment sales office in St. Louis, known as the Slater Engineering Co.

#### . . . at Chain Belt Co.

Two executive changes have recently been announced. J. C. Merwin has been elected by the board of directors to the position of chairman of the board. L. B. McKnight was elected to succeed Merwin as president and chief executive officer of the company.

# Only Inavelouder

HANDLES LONG LOADS like a
 Straddle Truck

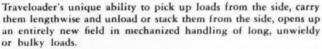
② DELIVERS like a
Highway Truck

STACKS like a
Fork Truck



Traveloader picks up and delivers loads up to 60 ft. long(upper photo)

Traveloader can operate in 10 ft. aisles and stack up to 12 feet.



Thus this one machine, operated by one man, often replaces two or three handling units now used on such jobs. The cost savings are obvious

It offers many other advantages. Weight is distributed equally over four wheels, permitting heavy load handling on floors or ground conditions not practical for other devices. It can stack up to 12 ft. from 10 ft. aisles. It can handle palletized or unpalletized loads with forks, or loads in a sling with a crane attachment. It delivers loads at speeds up to 30 MPH.

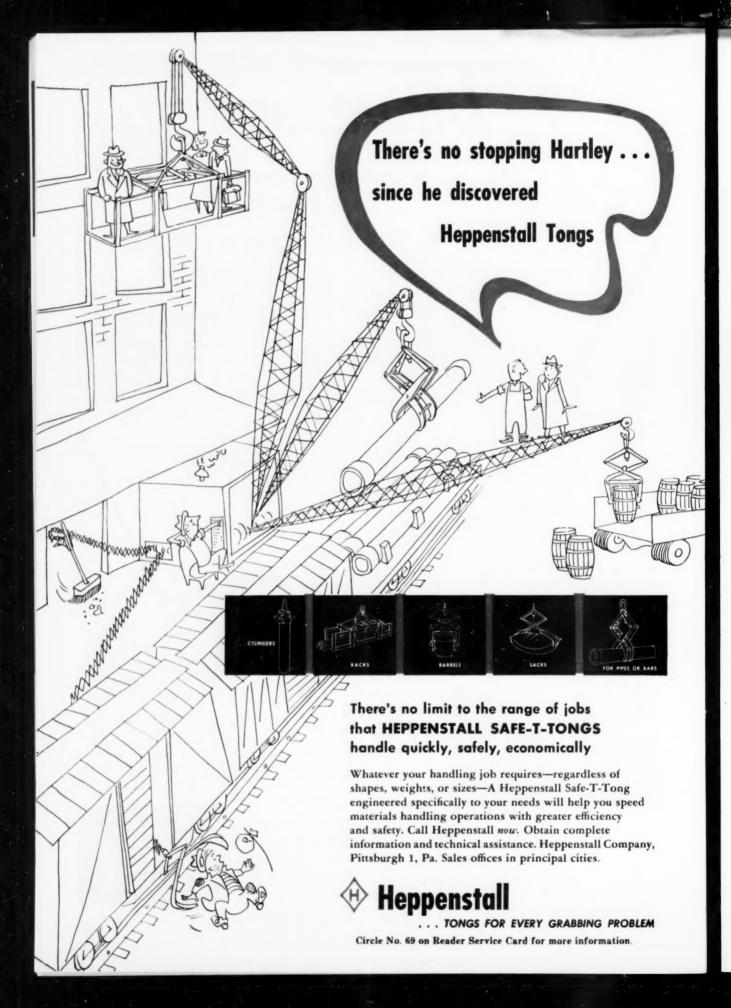


descriptive bulletin containing action photographs, construction details and specifications.

THE BAKER-RAULANG COMPANY

The Baker-Lull Corporation, Subsidiary, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Material Handling and Construction Equipment Baker

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# Court em. 67 LOAD-SPAN combinations from 13 OHIO BEAMRAIL SIZES FOR ECONOMICAL, SAFE TRAMRAIL AND CRANE INSTALLATIONS



Beamrail track flanges are flame hardened to resist wiping action of trolley wheels.



Gauging operation checks rail web to the track flange for symmetry.



A snap gauge is used to check track for uniform width.

The concentrated Load-Span Chart below illustrates how economically Ohio Beam Rail may be selected to meet specific load requirements for your plant.

CAT.No.	2604	2560	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618
SIZE (in.)	6.00x4	6.25x4	8×5.25	10×5.75	12×6.5	10x8	14x6.75	16×7	12 x 8	14 x 8	16x8.5	16x11.5	18×11.75
WT.(Ibs.)	11.3	15.0	17.5	21.5	22.7	26.1	26.7	30.6	31.8	34.56	46.7	64.0	72.1
ST(in.3)	5.95	8.7	11.98	17.6	20.3	18.2	30.0	35.5	26.96	33.5	50.8	64.9	79.8
SC (in.3)	7.65	9.89	15.80	24.3	33.45	30.44	43.39	50.10	44.74	54.05	81.67	129.3	153.761
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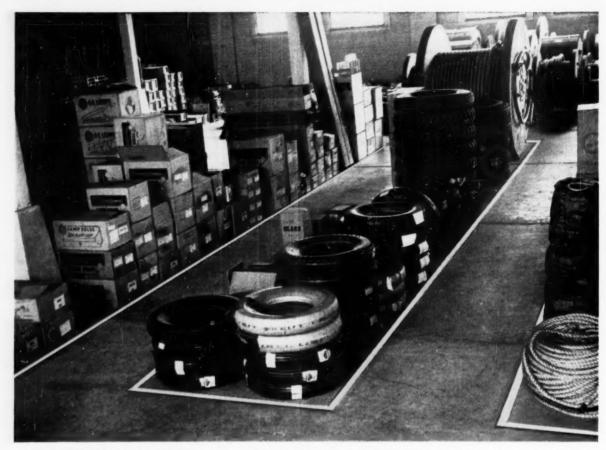
Maximum Stress = 22,500 lbs. per sq. in. for high carbon steel.

Maximum Compression Stress = 17,000,000  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{107}}$  when  $\frac{10}{87}$  exceeds 600.

Maximum Deflection = 1/300 of span.

Maximum L/b = 60 for Ohio Beamrail Sections only.

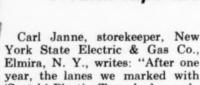
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AFTER ONE YEAR on the floor of this warehouse, "Scotch" Plastic Tape looks as good as when it was first applied (above)!

## **FAST!** No drying-time when you mark lanes with tape!

... and tape lasts 5 times longer!



York State Electric & Gas Co., Elmira, N. Y., writes: "After one year, the lanes we marked with 'Scotch' Plastic Tape look nearly

as good as the day we put them down. For my money, this tape is the way to mark off lanes in any warehouse. It goes down fast, and continues to look good after hard use.'

No wonder "Scotch" Plastic Tape is faster and easier to apply! There's no drying-time to slow down operations-no special equipment needed. Just put it down and roll it in place. Adhesive sticks tight at a touch. And the more you walk on it, the tighter it sticks.

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# What's NEW in equipment

#### "Torture-Tested" Tote Pan

The "RAN-tote 877", stacking-nesting tote pan manufactured by Randolph Metal Products Company, has undergone laboratory "torture tests" to determine the extent of abuse that the pan can withstand without distortion to the pan or damage to the contents. The test shown here involved the use of a high-compression testing machine which duplicated 5000 pounds of pressure applied against four stacked pans, with no apparent damage. The steel pan weighs 10 pounds, measures 6 inches by 12 inches by 24 inches.

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The hand hydraulic pallet lifting truck of American Matling, Inc., lifts by means of a dual acting hydraulic pump. Although of robust construction it is said to allow maximum maneuverability. The handle drops for pulling or locks upright for pushing. The approximate weight is 275 pounds. The standard widths of the forks are 22 inches, and 27 inches for a pallet 48 inches or over. The standard fork length is 34 inches; the height of the forks when lowered is 3½ inches and when raised 7½ inches. The truck is said to be able to turn a load in an areaway equal to the diagonal of the pallet load.

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#### Coil Stock Racks

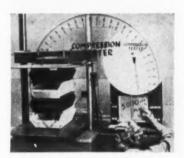
New coil stock racks in practical dimensions for handling and storing all sizes of wire and strip coils are announced by the Rack Engineering Company. Made and ordered in single units, the racks may be stacked to ceiling heights for maximum use of floor space. Extra-high tiering is made possible by welded reinforced tubular construction, in creasing rack life and safety. The racks may be handled by crane or truck. Safety crane eyes and cross bars are optional.

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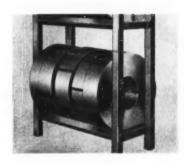
#### Fork Truck Scoop

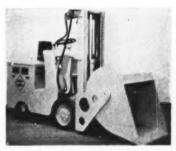
A scoop attachment, designed for use on any of its hydraulic-powered fork trucks, has been developed by the Elwell-Parker Electric Company. Specifically designed for handling such bulk materials as fine coal, salt, sulphur, grain, etc., it is not intended for material with large lumps. Its hydraulic power comes from the same system which operates the lift and tilt on the vehicle. It is 37% inches in overall width, with a capacity of 25 cubic feet and 3200 pounds. The scoop has anti-friction bearings supporting the trunnions and a double-acting hydraulic cylinder that moves the unit from loading to the carrying position.

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#### Gas Truck with Magnet

A 6,000-pound capacity lifting magnet on a gooseneck boom is carried by a new truck announced by the Yale Materials Handling Division of the Yale & Towne Manufacturing Company. The truck is especially adapted for the handling of castings and cast iron and steel borings. It mounts a 36-volt power unit to supply the current energizing the magnet. The magnet can be hung at any of four different positions. The hook capacity varies from 4,700 pounds at a 36-inch outreach to 3,000 pounds at 72. Fingertip controls for raising the load and energizing the magnet are within easy reach.

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#### Vibrating Conveyors

Materials that must be transported within a closed housing and not readily handled by belt, screw or other types of conveyors are carried by The Gifford-Wood Company's new line of special vibrating conveyors. The conveyors oscillate with a continuing series of forward-and-up and downward-and-back movements. The number of vibrations per minute and the forward throw are critical factors in handling different materials. Gifford-Wood offers test facilities to determine the correct vibration-throw relationship for given materials.

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#### Trench Hoe Boom

Optional heavy duty trench hoe boom for its excavators is announced by Gar Wood Industries, Inc., Findlay division. Designed for extra-rugged excavation, cross country pipeline work and similar operations, the boom weighs 8500 pounds. It is removed for conversion to shovel, crane, drag line, clam shell, pile driver and foundation borer attachments for three crane models.

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#### More Power: Less Space

Low lift "walkie" truck with short head room and capable of handling loads up to 6,000 pounds is announced by Lewis-Shepard. It is powered by a new compound-wound traction motor that is said to give controlled speed on level floors and extra power on ramps. With two speeds forward and reverse all controls are in the handle. Designed for easy maintenance, the truck has only two lubricating points on the pallet model and none on the platform model. All bearings are sealed and lubricated for the life of the truck.

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#### End-Loading Scoop

Most recent addition to the Work-O-Matic system, manufactured by The Union Metal Manufacturing Company, is this end-loading scoop. A fork truck can be converted into a "front-end loader" in the 30 seconds required to attach the scoop to the truck's auxiliary lifting mast. The operator partially raises the auxiliary mast to lower the scoop to floor level, then digs it into the material being scooped. When the auxiliary lift is lowered, the downward force is transferred through the connecting arms, lowering the scoop back and raising its edge until the scoop is completely righted.

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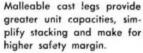
See how safely they stack . . . even when loaded to overflowing! The new "HI-LODE" Palletainers are designed for just such extracapacity handling of heavy bulk materials.

These new Palletainer models feature steel U-channel beams interlocked and welded for square channel strength in the frame. Famous Palletainer construction of reinforced electro-welded steel rods makes the sides virtually indestructible, too. Note how the center legs have been eliminated, and how cross beams give the new undercarriage added protection from below. Those malleable steel corner legs need no bracing. The entire under-area is clear, providing maximum entry for fork trucks and accommodating extra-capacity loads heaped on units below.

The "HI-LODE" Palletainer is available in 2,000, 4,000 or 6,000 lb. capacity models. Write for full details today and see how little it costs to solve your bulk materials handling problem.



dates extracapacity load.





New locking device on all PAL-LETAINERS holds sides securely, regardless of load. Cannot be released accidentally, cannot be lost in shipment.

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Rubbish Disposal is only ONE of the Cost Cutting jobs for the Dempster-Dumpster

in your plant...



It's amazing, almost to the point of fantasy, yet so soundly real, what the minds of men in all types of industry have cooked up for more efficiency and reduced costs with the Dempster-Dumpster.

Hundreds of plants are handling materials of practically every description with one truck-mounted Dempster-Dumpster serving scores of detachable containers. Here are just a few. Oils, gases, and liquids handled in our Tank Type Containers . . tools and equipment in our Tool Shed Type Container . . . containers on casters placed for receiving steel chips from lathes or at conveyors for receiving finished products . . . container with doors and windows, replacing shacks for plant guards or nightwatchmen . . . containers built to handle chlorinator ash residue of approximately 1500° F. and there are dozens more.

Containers are placed wherever material accumulates. When loaded each is picked-up, hauled and emptied (as illustrated above) . . . or load set down intact. The entire operation is handled by only one man, the driver, by hydraulic controls in

The containers are built in capacities up to 12 cu. yds. and each is designed to suit the materials to be handled-be they bulky, light or heavy . . . solids, liquids or dust.

One Dempster-Dumpster, with driver, does the work of 3 to 5 conventional trucks . . . eliminates trucks and crews standing idle . . .

eliminates rehandling of materials and increases efficiency and good plantkeeping.

If you have even any remote idea that this equipment could be adapted to your operation, by all means contact us because being without the Dempster-Dumpster System could easily be costing your company thousands of dollars annually. Manufactured and sold exclusively by Dempster Brothers, Inc.



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If you want "Thru-the-Air" handling at its low-cost best, you can't beat this — a genuine P&H Zip-Lift Electric Hoist with rope control . . . only \$199.50.

This new "Zip" is built to give you years of trouble-free service — guaranteed to withstand an occasional overload up to 25% more than the rated capacity. Other important advantages include real wire rope hoisting for wider side pull, double brakes for double safety, and easy installation (just hang it up and plug it in).

Yes, here's the number-one buy in the low-cost

handle it
"THRU THE AIR"
with



hoist field — the new Zip-Lift ready to save time and money for you. Check the many ways "Thruthe-Air" handling can cut your costs. Ask your nearby P&H Dealer to give your plant the onceover. His advice will cost you nothing — and he will save you money. Call him today!

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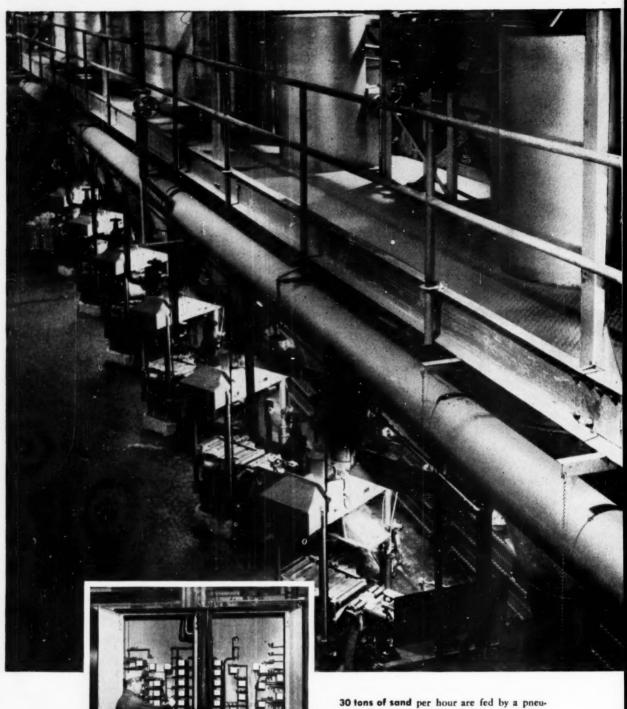


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30 tons of sand per hour are fed by a pneumatic system to storage bins over machines.

Wide opening rear doors on the master control board make the plant electrician's job easier.



# From this control board, I man measures, mixes, moves sand for casting molds

One man, alone at this Westinghouse control board, regulates the flow of sand used in making cores for cylinder blocks at the Ford plant near Cleveland. Watching the lighted board, he delivers the sand, through pipelines, into storage bins above any one of 38 core-blowing machines.

#### Instant control from one location

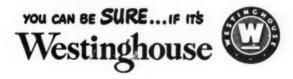
Westinghouse has put the control of an entire sand distribution system in the hands of one competent man and his electronic partner. The operator, with total responsibility, sends sand where the panel tells him it's needed. Ford's control board is conveniently located in an out-of-the-way place. Westinghouse could put your control board, just as satisfactorily, in your office.

#### Six assistants—not on the payroll

The master board flashes orders to six unattended Westinghouse Control Centers scattered throughout the plant. Each control center has micro-flex counters and timers which regulate the mixing machinery. Sand, bond, oil and water, in precise proportion, are whipped into one-ton batches. Then Crane Company's Turbo-Drive pneumatic sand distribution system blows the prepared batch of sand through 4" piping to storage bins over the core-blower machines—all in 70 seconds.

#### **Next time call Westinghouse**

This Westinghouse control system has netted Ford a saving in man power and in maintenance and production costs. Cylinder block production is up and still climbing. Perhaps Westinghouse equipment, designed for your job, and Westinghouse engineering help, from first plans to final tests, could improve your operation, too. Your nearby Westinghouse representative will be glad to talk to you. Call him early in the planning stage. Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pittsburgh 30, Pennsylvania.



# TERIALS-HANDLING N

Panel Discussions by Bassick, World's Largest Manufacturer of Casters and Floor Protection Equipment

### This pair of Bassick newcomers can cut your handling costs

New heavy-duty "Form. Forged" caster shoulders loads up to 1500 lbs.



S6992-2 "Form-Forged" Caster with 2%" tread wheels and load rating of 1500 lbs.

This new Bassick "Heavy-Duty" steel caster offers new highs in performance at a new low in cost. It harnesses the easy action of precision-formed raceways to a frame that's built extra strong to take the punishing loads of powered assembly-line dollies, and equipment. You can get it in 5", 6", 8" and 10" sizes, with semi-steel, forged steel or rubber-tread wheels. First cost is low, and its rugged construction enables it to stand up under the toughest operating conditions - which means lower maintenance costs. Take a look at these important features:

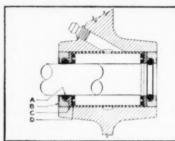
Double Ball Race - for efficient, easy motion

Extra-Heavy King Pin - for full protection at this critical point

Fully Hardened Raceways - for years of dependable service

Structurally Shaped of Heavy-Gauge Steel – for safe support of heavy loads

New low-cost sealed bearings for industrial rubbertread wheels



Cross-section of new Bassick seal

This drawing of the new Bassick seal shows its simple design which assures low first cost plus long service life. Parts listed below form baffled path that lubricant has a hard time travelling. The wheel retains its lubricant and foreign matter is kept out.

The sealed bearing can be regreased by standard methods through regular Alemite fittings. It's particularly effective in preventing entrance of dust, water spray and steam-cleaning fog. Now available on a growing number of Bassick

A. Neoprene "O" ring is in elastic contact with axle shaft . . . does not

B. Powder metal outside seal washer is press-fitted in hub of wheel and turns with wheel.

C. Steel roller bearing retainer washer rotates with wheel.

D. Roller bearing end cage washer.

#### **Monkey-Savers**

We recently received a letter from a New Orleans monkey fancier. Turns out that Bassick casters have one use we never thought of - they help keep monkeys healthy. Here's how our New Orleans friend tells it:

Your casters have been put to very good use. As you may know, monkeys are susceptible to all the diseases of humans, and in particular, colds and pneumonia. I have found it quite advantageous, with the use of Bassick casters, to roll the cage into a sheltered garage on cold, rainy days, and out into the yard again when the sun shines. They make one cage do the work of two. Also, they simplify cleaning the cage, as I simply roll it over to the drain and hose it out. Bassick casters are real Monkey-Savers.

Whether you're handling materials or monkeys, it seems, you'll save time and money by putting Bassick casters under them. Your Bassick industrial distributor will help you pick the right type. Or



THE BASSICK COMPANY Bridgeport 2, Conn.

In Canada: Belleville, Ont.

MAKING MORE NINDS OF CASTERS ... MAKING CASTERS OF MORE

#### Find out more about these new Bassick products today

Check your industrial distributor salesman for facts and figures on these two new cost-cutting Bassick developments. Or write direct to us. Either way you'll receive a prompt reply to your inquiry. You'll also

receive the full story on the new "Form-Forged" Steel Caster and the new Sealed Bearing Wheels-a story that will prove once more that when it comes to industrial casters and wheels . . . it pays to come to Bassick.

# Literature featured in ads

From parcel post package to carload, there's a steel strapping to fit every need, according to literature available from the Gerrard Steel Strapping Division of United States Steel Corp. Gerrard makes both round and flat strapping.

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Literature made available by the Richards-Wilcox Co. maintains that flexibility is the key to efficient material handling. Their Zig-Zag continuous power chain conveyor is said to provide that complete flexibility.

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All the facts about the 357 Mobile Crane may be obtained from Unit Crane & Shovel Corp. Numerous applications are explained in which labor costs and time saved can prove most profitable.

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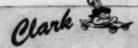
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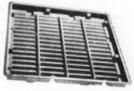
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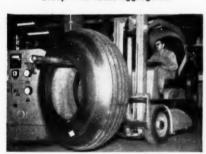
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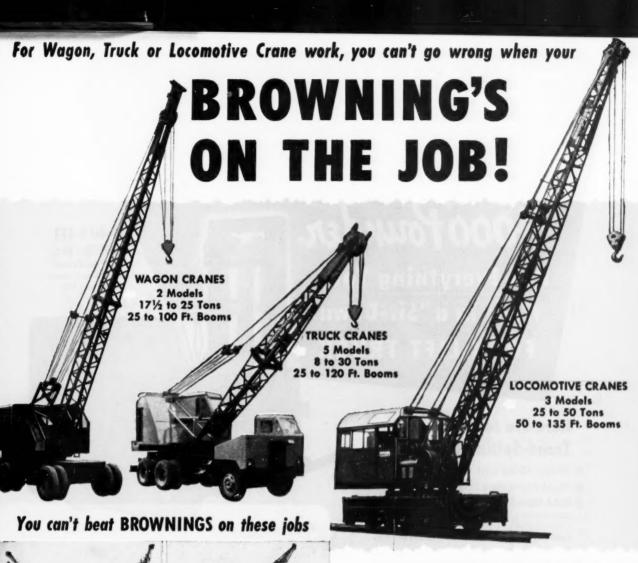
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# There's a Caster for Every Job— Make Sure You Select The Right One

WHEN you consider the countless applications for which industrial casters are used—from small utility carts to heavy assembly jigs—it's no wonder that the proper selection of a caster for each size and type of job can't possibly be done in a careless, slipshod manner if satisfactory results are to be expected.

The available types, styles and sizes of casters now being manufactured are much too numerous to list in any detail. As a matter of fact, the question has often been raised. "Are there too many kinds and sizes of casters?"

Certainly, the job of selecting a caster is not an

easy one. Which is one of the reasons why the Caster & Floor Truck Manufacturer's Association has established a Caster Standard Task Committee, currently at work on a standard nomenclature, a classification and description of the product types, and recommended standard sizes, capacities, applications and standard testing procedures.

Let's examine some of the more common caster types. But first, let's establish what, exactly, is meant by a caster. According to the Caster & Floor Truck Manufacturer's Association, a caster represents a complete unit consisting of the caster assembly and axle, wheel and bearing.

In more general terms, a caster may be said to consist of three major components: top plate, horn assembly, wheel. Each of these major components consists of a number of other parts.

Top Plate. The majority of industrial casters have a flat top plate as a means of attachment to the carrier. However, there are many variations of top plates, and the "stem" is the most popular of these variations.

Horn Assembly. The horn assembly may be formed of a single piece of cast iron, forged steel or stamped steel. Or, the legs of the horn assembly may be welded to the hornplate.

Wheel. Manufacturers offer a wide variety of wheels to meet different conditions.\*

#### Before You Select Any Caster, Answer These Questions:

- 1. What is the weight of the load to be carried?
- 2. What are the floor conditions in the area of operation?
- 3. What are the operating conditions to be encountered?
- 4. How much movement will be required, and what kind?
- 5. How much draw-bar pull will be required for movement?

#### Types of Casters

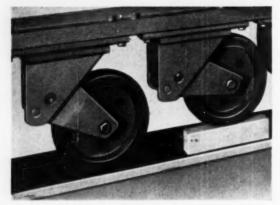
Generally, casters may be classified as either: (1) household, (2) institutional, or (3) industrial. There is no clear-cut differentiation between these groups, but they serve as titles for the purpose of general identification. There may be 300 other names, for as many casters, but, basically, all casters can be grouped into one of the general classifications.

Although we are primarily concerned with industrial casters, a brief description of the

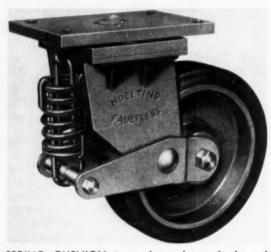
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#### CASTERS



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other two groups will provide a means of comparison. Household Casters. Household casters are small, and of light duty class and construction. They are generally

fabricated of stamped steel, and the wheel diameter is seldom larger than 3 inches. As a rule, they are of

stem-type construction.

Institutional Casters. Institutional casters are of medium light duty class and construction, and generally range in wheel size from 2 to 10 inches in diameter. Most casters of this type are attached to a stem, or some modification of a stem. Some flat top plate casters, because of their wheel tread width and load capacity, would fall into this classification.

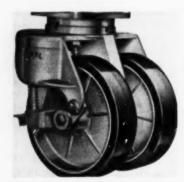
Industrial Casters. Industrial casters are generally heavier in construction than institutional casters. In order to carry heavier loads over rough surfaces. they are equipped with wheels that have a wider tread in relation to the wheel diameter. It is not unusual to see an industrial caster with a 5-inch diameter wheel and a 2-inch wide tread.

Generally, industrial casters are manufactured from heavy-gauge steel, and have a flat top plate. Stemtype attachment in the industrial field is the exception rather than the rule

Construction of industrial casters (and household and institutional as well) is of two basic types: swivel or rigid.

The term "swivel" is self-explanatory. The bottom portion of the caster (horn assembly and wheel) turns. It can make a complete 360-degree turn, while the top plate remains in a fixed position. This complete turn is made possible by offset, which is the horizontal distance between the vertical centers of the king pin and the axle. Because of this offset, and the load and thrust bearings, the wheel always "trails" when moved in any direction.

Assuming another point of view, a swivel caster operates on a simple principle of leverage. With the king bolt as the fulcrum, the offset causes the caster



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to swivel when pressure is applied. All the factors being equal, the greater the offset, the greater the leverage, and the easier the caster will swivel.

The term "rigid" also is self-explanatory. This caster is rigid—it does not swivel. The top plate and horn assembly are fastened together in a stationary position. There is no offset, nor does a rigid caster have ball bearings and raceways.

A rigid caster will turn only when the vehicle or dolly to which it is attached is turned. Its only directional movements are forward and backward. All caster manufacturers make rigid-type casters to match their swivel models.

#### **Caster Applications**

There are several basic combinations of rigid and swivel casters that are used in the design of floor trucks and trailers. In applying these combinations, the relative importance of maneuverability in close quarters against "steerability" in moving long distances should be considered.

Among these combinations are:

Four Swivel Casters, Level Type. Here, four swivel casters, each being the same height, are mounted on floor trucks or dollies and other portable equipment which is moved short distance. This method offers maximum maneuverability.

Two Swivel and Two Rigid Casters, Level Type. Used on all types of portable equipment, this method offers easy steering over long distances. Two rigid casters mounted on the front of the equipment provide stability over fairly long distances, while two rear swivel casters facilitate steering.

Two Swivel and Two Rigid Casters, Tilt Type. Mounted with this combination, a truck will turn in its own length and possess maximum maneuverability. Two large rigid casters are mounted in the center of the truck, and a smaller swivel caster is mounted

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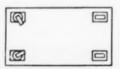


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#### CASTER COMBINATIONS-



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Four Rigid Casters, Tilt Type. The mounting of this combination is similar to that for two swivel and two rigid casters, tilt type, except, of course, that all four casters are rigid. Although more economical than other types, this combination is necessarily limited to light loads.

Four Swivel Casters and Two Rigid Casters, Tilt Type. This arrangement also is similar to the two swivel and two rigid casters, tilt type, except that two casters are mounted at each end of the truck. While as flexible as the two-swivel, two-rigid tilt type, it is more stable.

Three Swivel Casters, Level Type. This combination, with its three-point floor contact, is generally used on dollies and small portable machines.

#### Selecting Casters

There is no definite mathematical rule or formula that can be laid down for properly selecting casters. However, there are five questions that should be answered before you can begin to select the caster for your specific need. They are:

1. What is the weight of the load? What is the maximum load to be carried? Will the trucks be overloaded by careless workmen or used under heavier loads than anticipated? Will the load be dropped onto the truck? Under any of these conditions, it would be well to choose a caster with a load rating greater than the maximum load anticipated, even though published ratings generally allow for a reasonable safety overload factor.

2. What are the floor conditions? Is the operating

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HAVING NO KING BOLT, this caster employs a swivel plate floating within a bearing assembly.



EXTRA HEAVY-DUTY caster has caster assembly and wheel made of malleable iron for strength.

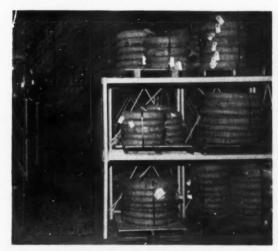


STEM-TYPE CASTER shown is equipped with a locking device, for equipment like scaffolding.

BEFORE AND AFTER use of pallet racks and stackers is shown here. Former method of storing rivet wire (below) at Convair compared with present space use (right).



RIGHT: SEGREGATION of material according to type. Note the locator system and neat pattern produced through use of pallet lift in converted storage area.





#### Pallet Racks and Stackers

#### TREBLE USABLE SPACE

PALLET RACKS and fork-type stackers gave the best cubic utilization when the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation transformed a former fish packing plant into a warehouse.

It was found possible to triple the floor space through the use of racks, which would provide for three layers of pallets. The Corporation had used pallet racks previously in limited applications, but the use of hundreds of them was a new undertaking.

It was found that the racks would pay for themselves within a year, through reduced costs.

The plan has been particularly successful for boxed materials and bulk inventory. Tool storage had always been difficult because of irregular shapes and clumsy sizes and weights of aircraft tools. Pallet racks with solid decks are now being used. Tools are stored directly on the rack without pallets.

Because the plant's cold room had a ceiling only 8 feet high, it was impractical to install two tiers of pal-

let racks there. This area, therefore, is used for extremely heavy items such as nuts and bolts with highly concentrated loads.

Mezzanines, with carrying capacity of only 75 pounds to the square foot, are used for storing lamps, paper supplies and similar products.

Conveyors, formerly used to move fish cases between the ground floor and the mezzanine, were left in place. They now provide an efficient handling system between floors for light materials.

Before Convair moved in, the 150,000 square foot cannery, with its rambling buildings, contained processing vats, cookers, conveyors and other installations. A shortage of warehouse space in San Diego had posed a serious problem for Convair when the expanding aircraft production program required an increase of 300,000 square feet in industrial floor space.

A list of fifty changes were prepared and agreed upon by the plant owners and Convair.

How much warehouse area does your plant require—now and for the future? Are you using all present storage area at highest efficiency? What is the best warehouse handling plan for your particular operation?

Here's how such questions are answered in a system that will help you . . .

## Warehouse to the Best Advantage

By H. C. Christensen

THERE IS A PRACTICAL METHOD by which warehouse space requirements can be determined. It does not involve a fixed mathematical formula. The number and variety of factors involved in common warehouse operating practices preclude the possibility of establishing a fixed mathematical formula which will prove practical. It is in the logical use of the following procedure—to suit the specific aspects of a particular industry or type of operation—that effective results can be assured.

A comprehensive study of space requirements will commonly involve these following predominant factors:

- 1. Floor Height Analysis
- 2. Estimation of Production Material and Finished Product Volumes
- 3. Conversion of Material and Product Volumes (to Net Space Value)
- 4. Determination of Average and Net Storage Heights
- 5. Net Area Determination

6. Floor Area Utilization Analysis

7. Efficiency Allowance

8. Related Functional Allowances

9. Expansion Allowance

#### Factor 1: Floor Height Analysis

Data Sheet (A) covers basic differences among warehouse stacking and handling methods in use today. If two or more stacking and handling practices are planned for use within a single structure, and appreciable stacking height differences are involved, an analysis should be made independently for each practice—i.e., should half of the warehouse contain a Unit Container system and the other half a Pallet Unit Load system. The total of the results of each study will represent the area required.

Within this study of floor height planning, allow a minimum of 18 inches of clearance between the top of stock and sprinklers, where installed or planned.

#### Factor 2: Estimation of Raw Material and Finished Product Volumes

The "bank," or reserve quantities of production material and finished product to be planned for, should be calculated in detail, by qualified personnel, in relation to sales and production planned. The "bank" of production materials (representing the days, weeks or months of supply volume to be warehoused consistently) will be based upon such values as: volume purchase discounts and freight rates, availability, perishability, sales seasons, strike shortages, etc.

The "bank" of finished product will be based upon such values as: time required for distribution to the customer; economical production volumes; possibilities of production shutdowns caused by accidents, plant strikes, power failures, rail and motor truck transport strikes, etc.

A not uncommon oversight in planning of this nature occurs when companies build plants for one shift operation, wherein warehousing is planned to handle the materials and product of one shift only.

Increased production which frequently becomes necessary is achieved by instituting a two or three shift manufacturing operation. Although this often becomes

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## DATA SHEET (A)

There are four basic warehouse stocking and handling practices prevalent today:

1. Unit Container System

This involves the stocking and handling of merchandise in its shipping container and without the use of skids, pallets or other unit transport instruments. The common storage height in this practice averages seven feet.

2. Skid Unit Load System

Here is involved the loading of multiples of merchandise, in shipping container on a skid. The common storage height in this practice averages six feet, including skid height. Although skid loads can be tiered, one load over another, when certain types of product are handled in containers strong enough to support the load, this is the exception rather than the rule.

3. Pallet Unit Load System

A practice similar to that of the skid unit load with the following exception: While the skid, with its four corner legs, and when used to tier loads one over another, permits weight distribution only through the four legs (to the four corners of the merchandise on the top layer of the load below), the standard two-faced pallet permits even distribution of load weight, through its full bottom surface, to the top layer of the load below.

Further, the average skid is seven to nine

inches high in itself, whereas the average pallet is five to six inches high; thus a vertical storage height saving of one to four inches per load is experienced by use of pallets vs skids. The common storage height in this practice averages fifteen feet, including pallets. However, considerably higher tiers are possible, depending upon plan view load sizes and weight of materials, and with the use of fork trucks with lift ranges over 130 inches.

4. Bulk

This varies from the foregoing in the degree of volume and manner of transporting materials. Whereas Practices 1, 2 and 3 more commonly use Industrial Trucks, electric or gas powered, high and low lift, fork and platform types, and tractors—for transport of loads throughout a plant, bulk handling is performed more commonly by means of conveyors, tubes and pipes.

Flour, sugar, a variety of aggregates, powdered and granular chemicals of many types are conveyed by such equipment as screw, bucket, belt, and pneumatic tube conveyors from the plant receiving station to storage in numerous kinds of bins and hoppers. Oils, gasses, syrups, liquid chemicals and the like are piped to large tanks. Necessarily, the procedure contained herein for the Calculation of Warehouse Size will not be usable for bulk stocking and handling practices.

possible with little or no increase in production equipment or manufacturing area, the warehousing function becomes a problem. Either material and product "bank" (or reserve quantities) must be cut drastically, in inverse proportion to increased production, or additional warehouse space must be rented, purchased or constructed.

If existing inventory data is to be used as a basis of computing storage item volumes, the following caution is suggested: Avoid the "guessimation" of normal stock volumes and the use of year-average volumes. The monthly inventory graph shown was developed upon a dollar volume base and serves as a reference for the following:

This graph illustrates the danger in using monthly inventory figures, which will not reveal interim peaks. You will note that the "average-stock," line "B," would prove a poor basis upon which to plan a new or expansion warehouse. Line "A" is the normal stock volume upon which computation might be based if volumes during a month did not appreciably exceed the volumes represented on the graph at the beginning or end of each month.

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#### AREA UTILIZATION EFFICIENCY FORMULA

To determine the proportion of not usable floor area actually utilized:

- Compute the gross area involved within the walls or partitions, etc., bounding the area concerped.
- Deduct from this figure, the area lost in stair wells, offices, columns, elevators, air shafts, radiators, etc. The difference will be the NET USABLE AREA.
- Compute the area to be actually occupied by equipment, materials, stock and supplies, etc., which are pertinent to the operations contained in the area studied. This resolves to AREA UTILIZED.
- 4. The ratio of AREA UTILIZED to NET USABLE AREA resolves to the AREA UTILIZATION EFFICIENCY.

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However, if a condition existed wherein high peaks (D) developed, in pattern, at the end of the first week of each month (July, Aug., Sept. and Oct.) this would seriously depreciate the value of using line "A" as a base.

If line "A" on the graph has been used to compute warehouse requirements, the "peak" volumes would have to be stored in outside warehouses. Therefore, line "C" would be the inventory volume upon which a warehouse, to fully house stock, should be based.

#### Factor 3: Conversion of Material and Product Volumes to Net Space Value

The material and product "bank" or reserve quantities, by physical size of each item involved, should be converted into the cubic feet of space which each item-quantity will displace. The total of the space displacement values of all item-quantities will represent the Net Space required for all item-quantities.

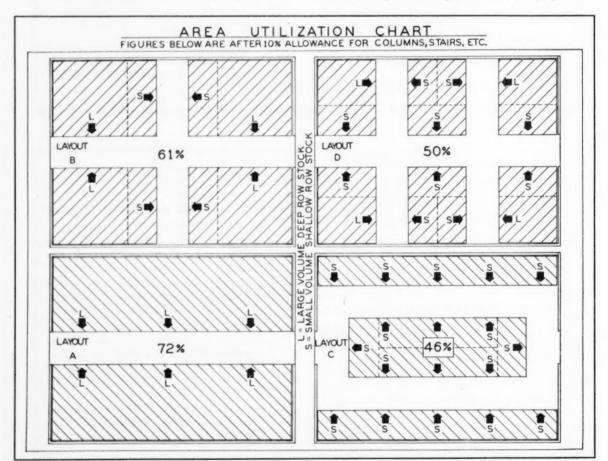
As an example, if it had been determined that a reserve of 1000 lbs. of material "X" was required, and such item was packed in 100 lb. boxes, having a dimension of 12 x 24 x 36 inches, the 10 boxes,

each displacing 6 cubic feet, would require a total of 60 cubic feet of space.

Except for items which will nest, material and product containers will be considered hexahedral (box) in shape in computing their space displacement values—i.e., a cylindrical barrel's (oils, coolants, etc.) displacement will be determined by multiplying the square of its diameter by its length. In the case of a barrel having a larger diameter at the center of its length than at either end, the larger diameter will be considered the barrel diameter. In the case of loose shaped paper and cloth bagged items, such as powdered chemicals, sugar, flour, etc., these will be treated similarly, upon determining the average thickness, width and length of loaded bag. Conical frustum, pyramid, and other such shapes will be analyzed and treated similarly.

#### Factor 4: Determination of Average and Net Storage Height

Even within one type of warehouse practice (see Data Sheet A), it may not be possible to store all stock to a single fixed height because of varying con-



tainer sizes, etc. Further, packaging design changes often make it difficult to attempt exact, long-term forecasting of merchandise case sizes and weights. However, the average height with relationship to the items to be stored must be computed carefully. If it is found that there will be appreciable differences in stacking heights of items within one practice (see Data Sheet A), the cube space value determined under Factor 3 should be analyzed as follows:

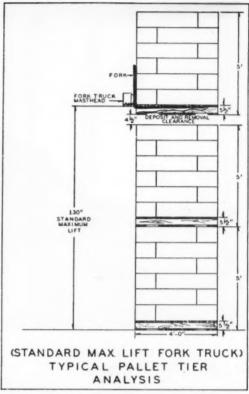
Warehouse item space values should be segregated into groups representing appreciably variant stacking heights—i.e., if among 100 items, 50 were capable of stacking to an approximate height of 16 ft.; 25 to 14 ft.; and 25 to 12 ft., the space (cubic) total for each group should be determined individually.

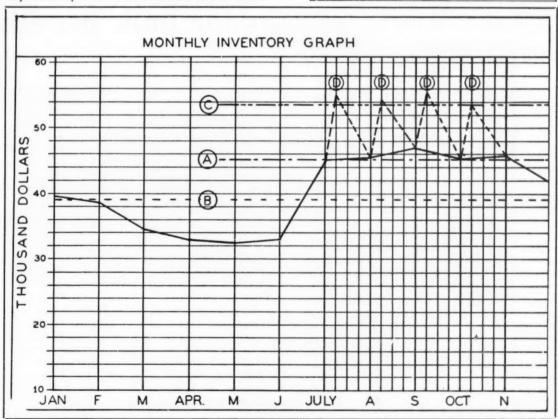
The average height of each group will then be treated as follows: In the case of *Unit Container* practices (Data Sheet A), the average height will be

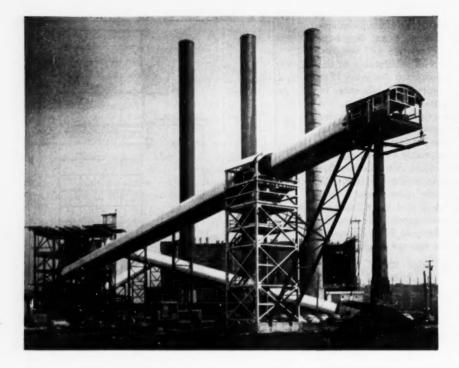
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IN PALLET UNIT LOAD SYSTEM, high efficiency is attained in vertical storage. Higher tiering depends upon plan view load sizes, weight of materials, and use of fork trucks with lifting ranges over 130 inches.

GRAPH BELOW illustrates danger in using monthly inventory figures, which will not reveal interim peaks, to compute storage item volumes. Line "C" is inventory volume upon which a warehouse should be based.







CONVEYOR system at the new East-lake Plant of Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. takes coal from hopper below car dumper and either sends it for use in boilers or to stacker for storage in yard where it is later recovered.

#### **New Technique**

## CUTS COST of outdoor bulk handling

By C. A. Dauber

Chief Civil and Mechanical Engineer Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.

A FIFTY PERCENT REDUCTION in the cost of handling and storing coal will be achieved through several innovations at the new plant of Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, in Eastlake, Ohio. This will be one of the very few large outdoor bulk material handling operations in which mobile equipment and belt conveyors will do the greatest part of the work. The coal storage area will be in close proximity to the plant.

A diesel locomotive will push loaded cars onto a track scale, where the weight of the cars will be automatically recorded. The cars will then travel to a rotary car dumper, which will empty the coal into a pit where it will fall onto a system of conveyor belts. These will carry the coal either into the plant, or send it to storage.

To put the coal in storage, it will be fed to a stacker, from which it will be carried away by carry-all scrapers. In reclaiming, these will dump into a hopper where coal will fall onto a belt conveyor.

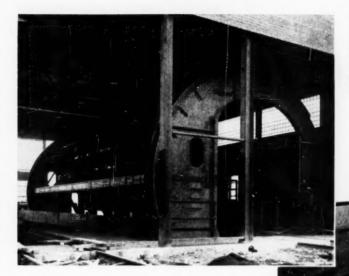
When the new plant generates its ultimate full load of more than 1,000,000 kilowatts, it is expected to handle 8,000 tons of coal a day in normal operation.

We plan to be able to dump enough coal into the plant, and to take care of any storage of coal required, in one shift. We will try to do it in seven hours. The hour remaining is expected to be devoted to inspection of belts, cleanup work and the like.

The economy of the system at Eastlake will be due largely to the proximity of coal storage to the plant. At the company's Avon plant, on the west side of Cleveland, coal storage is approximately 1000 feet away.

When the coal is shipped to the Avon plant it is dumped into a pit. A gantry crane then takes it out of the pit and up into the storage pile. A bulldozer levels out the pile and compacts it. When we reclaim the coal for use, we have to load it into freight cars again, haul the cars up a spur track to the plant building, and then weigh the car and dump it. The coal is weighed on the dumper.

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CAR DUMPER receives coal after it is weighed. When the car is spotted on the dumper the coupling is broken and the car clamped down automatically. Dumper then is turned 135-degrees and coal falls into hopper.

COVERED CONVEYOR belt below car dumper takes the coal from the hopper. The coal is then picked up and carried above ground where it is sent either to the stacker for storage or to plant.

## IN HALF



CARRY-ALL SCRAPER has twin engines, with power drive at both ends. Rear engine eliminates the need for a bulldozer to assist the scraper, thus reducing manpower required in recovery operation. Scraper can handle 250 tons of coal an hour.

STACKER IN YARD has telescopic chute to ground. Chute automatically rises in three-foot stages as the coal pile heightens. Bull-dozer spreads the coal, which is picked up by carry-all scrapers, 18 tons to a scoop.



# Door Controls And What They'll Do



REMEMBERING to close doors is easy if pendants or switches cannot be avoided.

O DEMONSTRATE what door controls had done for his plant, the engineer climbed into a fork truck, started it forward. He looked at his watch, hit the door opening switch with his right hand, went through, touched the switch on the other side, and watched the door close.

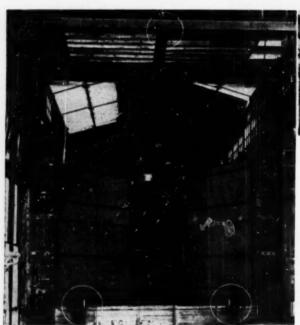
"Ten seconds from switch to switch", he said, "and it used to take a fast man about a minute and a half to get through the old, manually operated doors! He had to stop the truck, get off, push the door open, climb on the truck, go through, get off, push the door closed, and get on to start up again. Figure for yourself the time we save—about 80 seconds per trip. If we have 100 trips per shift we save over 2 hours of working time. And that's 2 hours, also, when we aren't trying to heat

all the outside. At that rate it isn't hard to figure how soon automatic doors pay for themselves. Besides, we don't have banged up doors any more."

The man talking was Vincent Halsall of American Type Founders, in Elizabeth, N. J., where controlled doors are considered an integral part of the material handling system. There, much of the handling is done by fork trucks travelling between buildings, and the door equipment was installed primarily to reduce heat loss in winter.

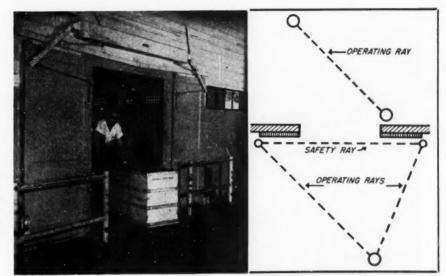
The time saved might be even greater with photoelectric controls, but there are factors (later discussed) which make magic eye operation impractical for this particular installation.

The ATF installation is one of those that is to be





EASILY CONTROLLED complex door arrangement accommodates all kinds of traffic at this loading dock. For in-and-out movement of vehicles or pedestrians, bi-parting swinging doors are motor operated (bottom circles). When crane is required, top-hinged swinging door is controlled by separate drives, as shown in enlarged section above. All doors can be controlled from dock or by crane operator. Automatic stops prevent crane from passing when doors are closed.



FULLY AUTOMATIC, photoelectric doors have controls located to open doors for traffic approaching at angles and in either direction through door (see schematic sketch). Installation is in textile mill, to maintain temperature & humidity.

described—after some general notes—to show where and how industrial door controls can be used to advantage. These examples are of typical installations, but manufacturers say practically any size or type of door can be operated by remote control.

## Factors Bearing on Control Selection

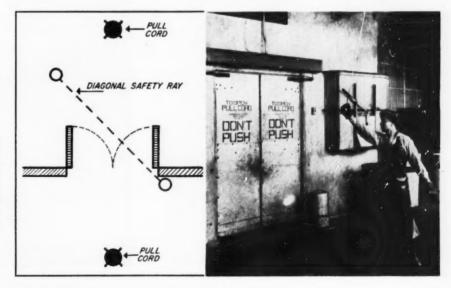
Industrial doors can be controlled by the following means: photoelectric, pull cord, push button, or mechanical. Combinations of any—for example photoelectric and pull cord—are frequently employed. The unit best suited to a plant must be determined after consideration of such factors as traffic, type and density; plant layout, type of products manufactured; handling methods employed; proximity of employees working in the vicinity of doors; and the use made of areas adjacent to doorways.

Actuating mechanisms can be pneumatic or electric. The time a door remains open may be adjusted to suit traffic requirements automatically, or it can be

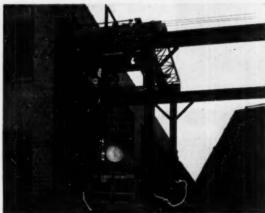


CONTROLLED bi-parting doors at ATF supplemented by small doors to conserve heat during normal use. When higher loads must pass, these are swung up.

PULL-CORD CONTROL for semi-automatic operation of double swing doors. As shown in sketch, photoelectric diagonal ray is safety feature. When doors partly open, interrupted beam holds them. One actuate of pull cord on either side results in complete cycle.







MOTORIZED rolling door has pivoted jamb sections (top) which swing inward, after curtain is raised, to allow passage of crane. Twin switch boxes, wired to prevent conflicting operation, control door and wings.

HEAVY-DUTY TREADLE operates doors pneumatically only when weight of 550 lbs. or more applied. Sensitive door edges open them if passage obstructed.



kept open by mechanical means until the passage is cleared. Also, the speed with which a door opens and closes can be regulated at will. Safeguards are built into the systems so that it is possible to operate doors from either side, and passage can be negotiated without danger of damage to controls, doors, personnel or vehicles. For additional safety, it is possible to operate doors manually in the event of power failure.

Photoelectric controls are installed in three general arrangements—with horizontal rays from sources mounted on walls, brackets or posts; with vertical rays from floor to ceiling; or a combination of both.

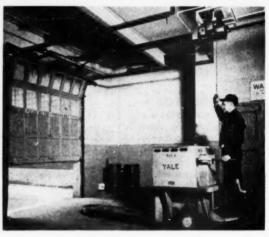
### Electric Eyes Require Shielding

Photoelectric operation is fast, requires no effort on the part of personnel, and assures that doors will be closed when a passage has been cleared. The system is also suitable for use in connection with conveyors, cranes and monorails which must go through doorways. Practicality of photoelectric installation is largely determined by conditions on approaches to, and in the vicinity of, exits and entrances. These areas must be readily shielded to assure that the door won't open every time a vehicle or worker passes. If stored products or raw materials are close to doors, where trucks would trip the mechanism merely in stacking or withdrawing material-or if pedestrian travel is essential where floor plates or electric eye beams would be required-doors are almost certain to be operated needlessly. In such situations, approach pull cords, push-buttons or other physical contact controls are called for.

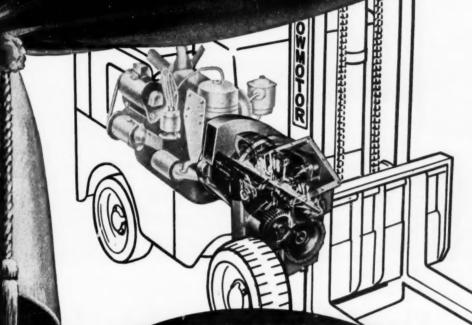
Of course, it is possible for an employee to neglect the closing operation when leaving a doorway, but a little practice will straighten that out. Also, doors

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MOTOR-OPERATED overhead door shown controlled by pull-cord can also be used with 3-button switch to stop door anywhere, save unnecessary open area.







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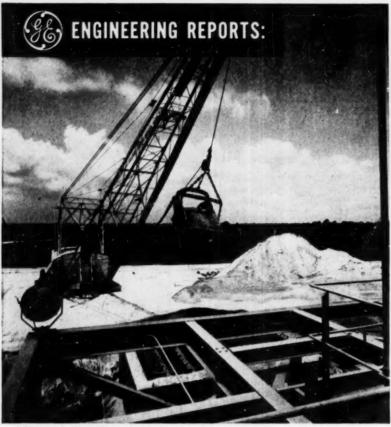
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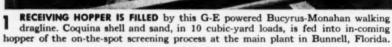
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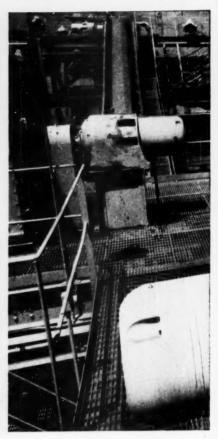


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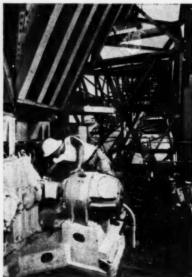




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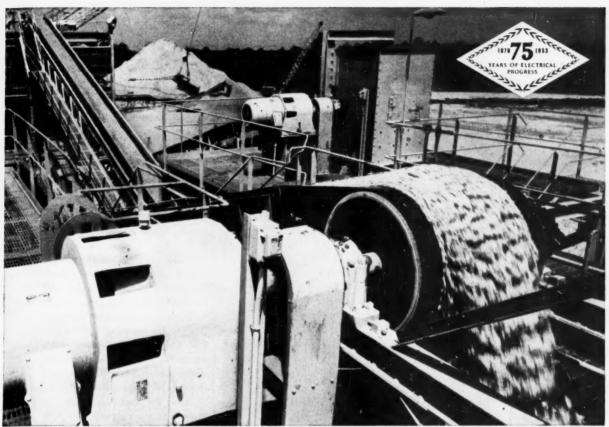
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#### OUTDOOR HANDLING . . .

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## Coal Weighed Immediately

At Eastlake, whether the car goes into the plant or into storage, we will immediately weigh it and bring it into the dumper. The scale at Eastlake is situated on the track. just preceding the dumper. The scale is self-balancing. One man, with electric controls in the scale house, will be in charge of both the dumper and the scale. The weight of the car of coal will be recorded on a card. On this, the operator will write the car number and the tare weight. An electronic transmitter on the scale will print the card to show the gross weight.

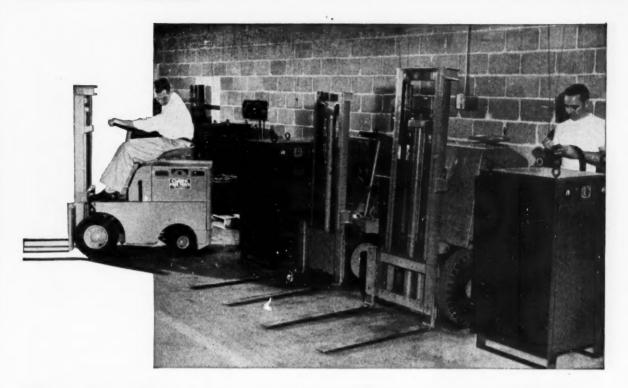
When the car is spotted onto the dumper the coupling will be broken and the car clamped down automatically. The operator at the controls will turn the dumper through a 135-degree angle. By the time the plant reaches its ultimate capacity we expect to have a second dumper installed. Each dumper will be powered by a 100horsepower motor.

The Illuminating Company uses car shakeouts at some of its other coal handling areas, but we have found the coal dumper at Eastlake is two to three times as fast as the shakeouts for our type of operation.

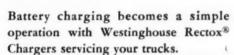
Immediately preceding the scale on the siding we will install a new arrangement of oil torches to thaw the cars of coal in winter. The torches will be strung out 300 feet down the track and be enclosed by metal fences. The torches will operate automatically. At our other plants, workmen heat the cars with hand torches.

## Lumps Broken on Grid

When the coal falls from the car it will strike a grid 10 feet below the level of the track. The grid consists of a series of steel beams 18 inches apart. The coal is expected to strike the grid with suf-



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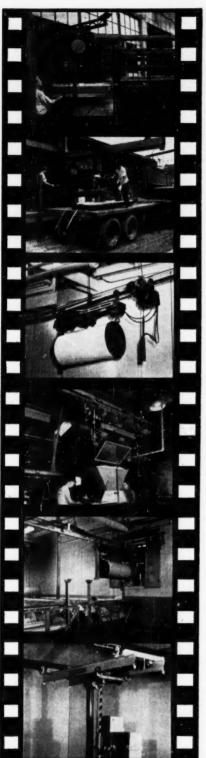
The two belts will feed another 60 inch belt which extends to a tower. There the coal may be carried in either one of two directions, or in both directions at the same time. On one belt it may be taken to the plant building where it runs through crushers, magnetic separators to take out tramp iron, a sampler, and finally to the boiler bunkers.

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### DOOR CONTROLS

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are more likely to be closed if pendants or switches are located prominently and convenient to vehicle operators. It is a good idea to attach a "flag" to the pendant cord, either white or some striking color, low enough so that a driver cannot overlook it. As for pedestrians—the small doors installed within the larger ones (with spring closure) will eliminate the need to operate the door control.

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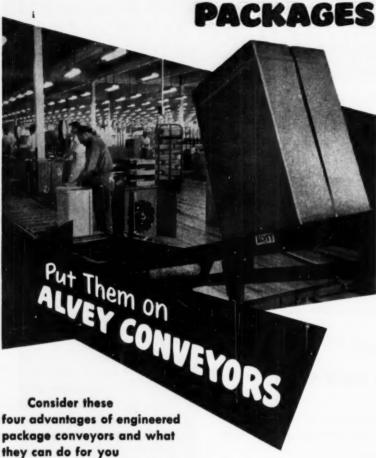


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when a load will not clear a reduced space, it is simple to secure the supplementary doors for that particular trip.

Note also the bracket, installed on the outside of the building at ATF, from which a pull cord is suspended. This type of arrangement keeps high traffic areas clear of obstructions, such as posts upon which control switches might be mounted. Ordinarily, switches and pull cords are mounted overhead or on any support that may be convenient to a driver.

Details on a number of installations are given with pictures and sketches. It must be emphasized that these are only representative types, that standard controls can be used on practically any type of door, with relatively inexpensive actuating installations made to suit individual requirements. The types of plants shown, too, just serve as an indication as to how door controls are a part of the material handling systems in almost every industry.

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For pictures and assistance in preparing this article, FLOW thanks the following: Clark Door Co., Inc., Barber-Colman Co.; The Kinnear Manufacturing Co.; National Pneumatic Co., Inc.; Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co.; Robot Appliances, Inc.; and The Stanley Works, Magic Door Division.



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#### CASTERS . . .

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surface rough? Look for sharp door sills, obstructions, elevators, or other conditions that cause shock, and take any such factors into consideration. If operation is on smooth floors without obstructions, you can usually apply a caster of lighter construction than might otherwise be used.

3. What are the operating conditions? Will there be oil, grease, water, acid or extreme heat or cold? Wheels recommended for use under any of these conditions are available, and there are special types of grease for bearings when the caster must operate in extreme heat or cold.

4. How much movement? How often, how far? How much maneuverability is required in swinging around corners and down aisles? When casters are to be used continuously, they should have hardened steel parts at the points of greatest wear, such as the raceways which house the bearings in the top plate, to insure easy swiveling and long life.

5. How much draw-bar pull will be required? In other words, how much manpower push is going to be required to start and sustain motion of the castered equipment? Since men are the most expensive source of power, the amount of draw-bar pull should be kept to a minimum. Because large wheels roll much easier than small ones, the necessary manpower push can be reduced by increasing the size of the wheel. Roller or ball bearings help, too.

After the answers to these questions have been determined, you are ready to select a caster. Caster manufacturers, in almost every case, publish a catalog which is designed to make it easy for the customer to buy the correct model and the correct wheel size and type for his particular needs. Almost all caster catalogs look complicated at first glance, since each manufacturer produces a distinct line and must therefore catalog his products in the manner best suited to their particular qualities.

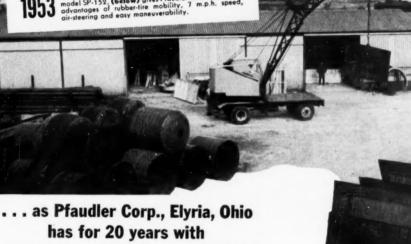
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#### WAREHOUSE SPACE . . .

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the Net Height. However, in the cases of Skid Unit Load and Pallet Unit Load practices, the Net Height will be determined by deducting the total of the "thicknesses" of pallets or skids, required in each tier of loads, from the average height as determined above.

As an example, if three pallet loads, each measuring five feet in height (including pallet), are to be tiered, and the pallets are six inches in thickness, the tier will rise 15 feet—yet the useful storage height of the stored merchandise item will only be  $13\frac{1}{2}$  feet (Net Height).

### Factor 5: Net Area Determination

The Net Space value or values determined under Factor 3, divided by the respective Net Height value or values determined under Factor 4, will determine the Net Area or Areas of floor surface required for the storage of the problem stock.

## Factor 6: Floor Area Utilization Analysis

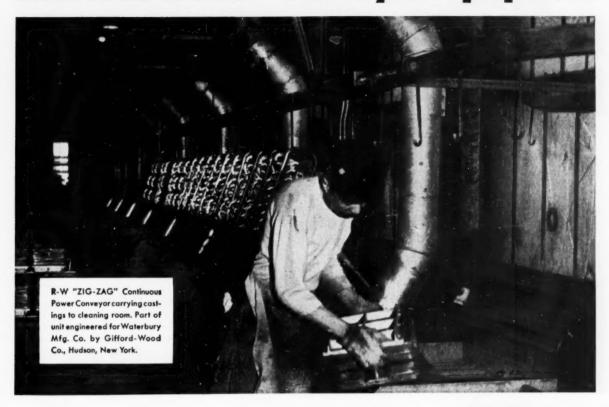
The Gross Area of the warehouse required for the problem operations can be determined in two ways:

1. By plotting a scale layout, using the Net Area, determined under Factor 5, broken up into actually usable areas, separated by aisles of proper width (to permit the use of correct mechanized handling equipment) and with consideration given to space lost by having to pattern stock in keeping with columns, power panels, doors, sprinkler valves, radiators, etc. Allowances for Factors 7, 8, and 9 (subsequently discussed) must be planned for in keeping with particular industry requirements. Having completed an accurate layout of all area required, the scale overall dimensions will permit calculation of Gross Area required. (See Area Utilization Efficiency Formula)

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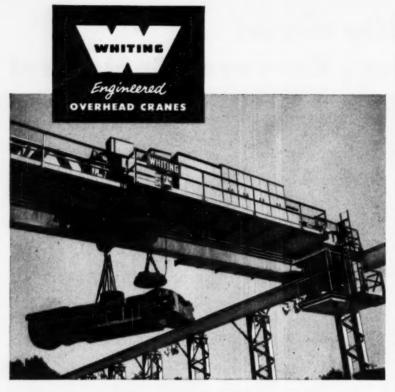
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The Minimum Operations Area does not provide for service requirements of area within a warehouse operation—for example, order assembly, toilets and offices.

## Factor 7: Efficiency Allowances

The following allowances require careful consideration in each space planning problem. The values suggested cannot be used as exact data inasmuch as influencing conditions vary greatly between industries.

(A) 25 percent of the Net Area determined under Factor 5 will be added to the Minimum Operations Area to allow for the fact that it is impractical to keep stock areas fully loaded. Experience indicates that a continuous attainment of 80 percent efficiency in utilization of assigned stock space is optimum expectancy.

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and Pallet Load Practices only) to allow for lost space between tiers due to:

- a. Underlap patterns of stock on a certain proportion of pallet and skid loads.
- b. Space tolerances required between tiers to allow normal insertion and withdrawal of loads.

As examples: A four-foot square pallet system with a 6 inch clearance factor (between tiers) would resolve to a floor area requirement of 20.25 square feet per 16 square foot pallet. The 4.25 square feet of floor space lost would require provision for 26 percent more floor space per pallet load. A 3 x 4 ft. pallet with 6 inch clearance would require an additional allowance of 31 percent; and a 3 x 3 ft. pallet, 36 percent.

On the other hand, a 4 x 4 ft. pallet with a 3 inch clearance factor would only require an additional allowance of 12½ percent. (This, incidentally, illustrates the space saving value of using the largest possible pallet and skid sizes in warehousing operations).

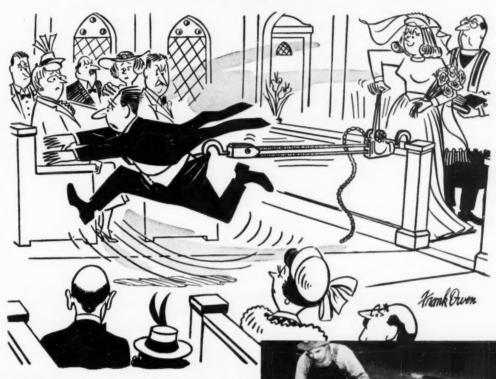
(C) Ten percent of the total of the Net Area and the allowance values of (A) and (B) above should be added to the Minimum Operations Area to allow for general emergencies; i.e., breakdown of mechanical equipment during periods of volume receipts; temporary storage of large volume items to be received and reshipped within 24 to 48 hours.

## Factor 8: Related Functional Allowances

In addition to these efficiency allowances, provisions must be made for:
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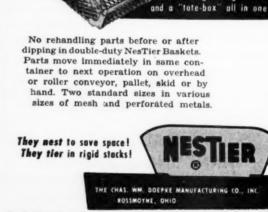
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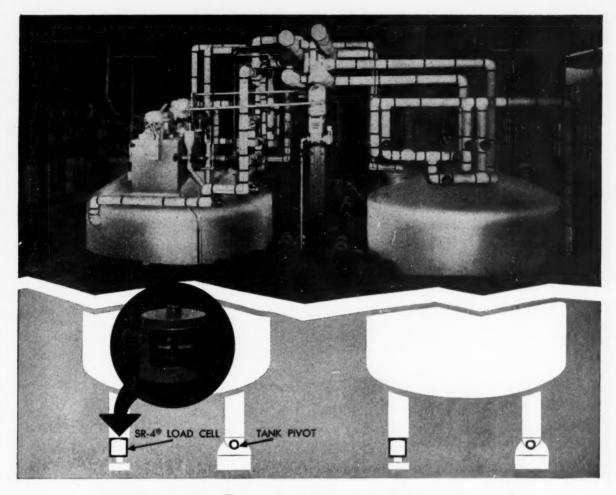
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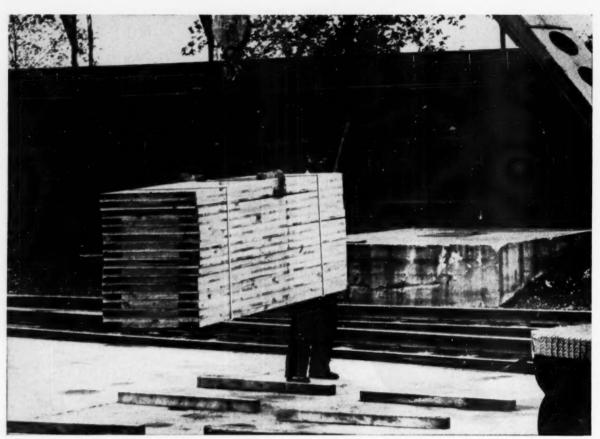
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VISUALIZE . . . a package. Any package. Or, better yet, visualize one for use in shipping one of your products. It may be large or small, it may be in any shape or form.

What about this package? Just how much do you really know about it? Where does it have its beginning . . . what are its functions . . . how is it affected by your material handling and production activities . . . how well does your package do its job . . . what packaging equipment does it make necessary . . . what materials and supplies contribute to the make-up of your package?

Once you start thinking along these lines, and come up with the answers to the above questions, there comes a realization that the package shipped from your plant is far more than just a container or even a combination of packaging materials. An integral part of your package is the product itself, with behind it all the engineering and production activities which led to its completion. In a sense then, the package you ship represents, in a single unit, all the efforts of everyone and everything in your firm.

It is important enough to be the primary subject of a major industrial exposition in Boston on the 20, 21 and 22 of this month. It is also important enough to be thoroughly studied in a special issue of FLOW'S Packaging and Shipping Section.

On the following pages, "The Biography of a Package" will develop all aspects of preparing a product for shipment and for shipping it. No specific package will be the subject of the biography, and yet specific questions about the specific package which you have visualized will be answered.

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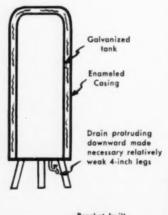


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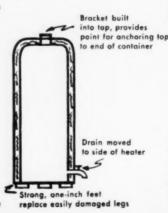
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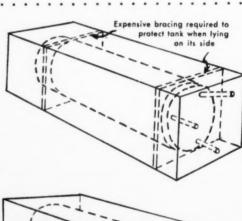
## the birth of a package

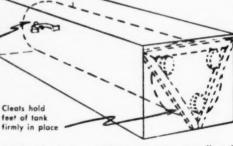
DESIGN
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A water heater manufacturer was spending large amounts for packaging of units which had long legs easily damaged when package was placed on its side. By replacing long legs with one-inch feet, inexpensive cleats built into container bottom are now the only bracing required. Result: 20% savings in packaging costs.

S PENDING dollars to save dimes doesn't make sense.

Yet, in too many plants, apparent savings in the expense of manufacture are being accomplished through ingenious product design, but with concurrent mushrooming packaging costs. Regardless of whether a new product is being created, or if an old one is being modernized, packaging should be taken into serious consideration at the very beginning.

After all, the full costs on any product must of necessity include all expenses involved in the delivery of that product to its destination. Close cooperation between the packaging engineer and the product design engineer can save considerable trouble and unnecessary expense in packaging and shipping.

### Effect on Product Needn't Be Great

A leading appliance manufacturer was able recently to cut packaging costs of water heaters approximately 20% through two minor changes in product design. The changes resulted in little, if any, increase in manufacturing expense, but daily savings of hundreds of dollars in packaging and shipping costs are now being enjoyed.

It has been found that for easier handling and to permit complete utilization of freight car space during shipment, it was best to lay water heaters on their sides immediately after packaging. A problem then arose, of providing adequate bracing which would prevent buckling of the relatively light gauge enameled steel casing which enclosed the galvanized tank.

The drain for the tank projected several inches downward from the underside of the tank, necessitating four-inch legs which could not withstand lateral shock during transportation while the package was on its side. Therefore, bracing against the legs was ruled out. The same for bracing against the easily dented casing.

With the product as it was then being produced, it became necessary to use expensive form-fitting braces which completely encircled the water heater at the very top and bottom. Adequate protection was provided, but at a high cost.

A simple solution was devised through cooperation of the package engineering department and the product engineering department of the company. The tank was redesigned with the drain projecting from the side of the tank instead of from the underside. With no projections underneath, it was then possible to replace the four-inch legs with stronger one-inch feet against which cleats could be placed. At the top of the unit, a permanent bracket was built-in. Now, in packaging, the three feet of the water heater fit between cleats which are part of the base of the container and the top is firmly bolted to the other end of the container by means of the new bracket. Regardless of the position of the package from then on, the product floats away from the sides. The expensive interior bracing which was formerly required has now been completely discarded. As an added bonus, packaging time has been reduced.

Waiting until a product is in full production before bringing together the ideas of the packaging engineer and the product design engineer can result in considerable waste.

From the product testing laboratory of a container manufacturer comes the following example:

A stove manufacturer, faced with a high damage rate on its products sent a range to the testing labora-

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COOPERATIVE EFFORT between product designers and package designers resulted in these "built-for-each-other" spools and molded fibre containers. Spools no longer suffer damage due to "hopping" in transit.



STORAGE SPACE requirements for the new molded fibre containers are only 1/3 what was required by the old ones. Also, the new cases weigh only 1/3 as much and protect from dust and dampness during storage.



Many factors should be carefully considered before you select a shipping container. Type of packaging operations, nature of the product, and method of shipping are only a few of the factors which will determine the final design of the container you use.

correct container . .

## backbone of the package

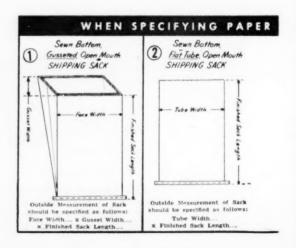
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United Can Co	
Universal Tube & Container Co.	113B
Wirebound Box Mfg. Assoc	315

of the many factors involved in your package's ability to perform adequately during its lifetime, the type of container you select is probably the most important. An answer to the question "What Container?" must be supplied before any truly intelligent planning of methods of cushioning, bracing, filling, closing, marking, dock handling and shipping can be accomplished.

You wouldn't use slipshod methods in the purchase of raw materials for the products you manufacture . . . don't use them in buying packaging materials. For your raw materials, your engineers draw up and insist upon close adherance to exact specifications for every



Three Sizes of Corrugations

A-Flute (3/16" high)



B-Flute (1/8" high)



C-Flute (5/32" high)



material you buy. The same should apply to the purchasing of containers (or any packaging material for that matter) which will be used in preparing your product for shipment.

#### Designing and Selecting a Container

Before a container can be designed, all the other factors which will contribute to the completion of the package must be considered. If your plant has an already installed packaging line, a container for a new product would have to be one which would fit in economically, and which would not slow down operations. Or, if only a certain type of transportation is available



CORRUGATED CONTAINERS can be used to ship bulky items like automatic washers. Component parts of such a container, including inner bracing are shown above. Proper flute is important to good product protection. Sketch at left illustrates: A-flute . . . 3/16" high with 36 flutes per ft.; B-flute . . . 1/8" high with 50 flutes per ft.; C-flute . . . 5/32" high, 42 flutes per ft.

to your plant, compensations in container design might result in faster, safer, and cheaper shipping.

Without doubt, a carefully selected container which has been planned as an integral part of all other factors in the packaging procedure, can open a smooth, fast-moving path directly from the production line to the consumer. But a container poorly selected can be a bottleneck to the entire packaging and shipping operations.

Often, it is advantageous to select a container which is standard in size and shape, and adapt it to any particular product through inner bracing and cushioning. In a great many instances, however, a particular product demands a specifically designed container,

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which although standard in general appearance may have several special features which make it more economical and better suited to the product it will carry.

Special designs might also be made necessary by requirements of carriers. For that reason, a close study and complete understanding of regulations like rules 6, 40, 41, 49 of Railway Freight Specifications, Postal Regulations, National Container Rulings, I.C.C. Specifications for explosives, etc., are imperative.

#### Bags

Products which do not require rigid support: powders, granular materials, many small parts, etc., can often be shipped successfully and economically in textile or paper bags. Important considerations are: handling and shipping methods to be expected; water absorbtive qualities of the product to be shipped; degree of cleanliness required; dusting qualities, if any; weight of the product.

Textile bags are usually made of burlap or cotton in a variety of weights and widths.

Osnaburg and other unbleached cotton bags are designed primarily for rough handling. The prices of these types are generally lower than other types of textile bags. Recommended wherever good resistance to puncturing, tearing or snagging is required.

For use where appearance is of primary importance, bleached cotton bags are often preferred. Such bags are excellent for re-use or home-sewing value and can be printed with washout inks.

Although textile bags ordinarily have a seam on one side, and the bottom, they are also constructed of tubular material when a strong, seamless type is required. This is generally true for shipment of products such as seed which sifts easily.

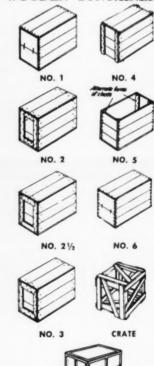
Paper shipping bags are available in two types; light duty sacks made of one or two plies of paper, and heavy duty sacks known as Multiwall. The latter are constructed of three or more plies of paper and are used largely for bulk shipments. Kraft paper plies are positioned during manufacture so that each sheet in the finished bag bears its full share of the burden. Capacities generally vary from 25 to 100 lb.

## Five Multiwall Types

There are five major types of paper shipping sacks: sewn valve, pasted valve, sewn bottom open-mouth, pasted bottom open-mouth, and open corner.

COLLAPSIBLE TIGHT CORNER HINGED CRATE is assembled onto a stove at the end of production line. This type nailed-wooden container offers quick assembly since it is received in three units consisting of top panel, bottom panel and collapsed side walls, all unitized by flexible wire hinges. For assembly, only the top and bottom panels are nailed.

## BASIC TYPES OF NAILED WOODEN CONTAINERS



CLEATED PANEL

### BASIC TYPES OF WIREBOUND CONTAINERS



Sewn or pasted valve bags are factory pre-closed at top and bottom, with exception of a valve opening at the upper corner. They are filled on valve bag packing machines installed by the customer. Internal pressure of the product within the filled bag automatically closes the valve, effecting a tight closure.

The standard valve bag usually affords protection needed for safe shipment of products like cement, lime and plaster. Fertilizers, manufactured feeds, and similar products present a siftage problem, however, and for them, an LC sleeve (a specially formed sheet of kraft paper positioned on the inside of the corner opening) is recommended. Like the standard valve the LC closes automatically by internal pressure exerted by the product at the time of filling. Tuck-in sleeves are also used for protection from siftage and to eliminate moisture penetration. A tuck-in sleeve is formed of kraft paper and projects through the valve opening to the outside of the bag. After removal from the filling machine, the sleeve is folded back and into the corner opening to effect complete closure.

Sewn or pasted open-mouth sacks are factory closed at the bottom only. The top is left open to be closed after filling at the shipper's plant. The initial cost of open-mouth bags plus the cost of closing materials is generally somewhat less than the cost of comparable valve bags. This differential, however, may be offset in whole or in part by the saving of labor afforded by the valve bag packing system.

#### **Corrugated Containers**

The cold-cash cost of a shipping container fabricated from corrugated fiberboard is by no means the only factor to be considered when selecting a box for the packaging of your product. The nature of the product to be packaged and special protective considerations are as important in primary planning.

A corrugated container seems like a fairly simple device. Consider, however, some of the variables that are possible in its construction. There are more than twenty generally used styles of box; three types of corrugations, A, B, and C, which may run horizontal or vertical; the box may be fabricated with either starch or silicate adhesive or with both; at least seven corrugating mediums in a wide range of weights with three principally used varieties of linerboard in a still wider range of weights are generally used; the manufacturer's joint may be stitched, glued or taped. Each of these elements, plus many more, must be carefully evaluated and the correct ones selected.

Certain products call for containers made of special board: silver, brass or copper items call for a sulphur-



WIREBOUND BOX provides a speedy method of packaging odd shaped products like this hoist. Hoist is shipped almost completely assembled, with fittings placed inside the box. Paper repels dirt and moisture.



FOR HIGH CONCENTRATION OF WEIGHT, like sheet glass, specially engineered containers like these wirebounds insure safe shipment. Corrugated dividers prevent shifting. Each box holds almost 1/2 ton of glass.



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free board; glass and porcelain call for board with low pH (acid alkali characteristics); other commodities require treatments such as wax for moisture resistance, or other coatings for grease resistance. Release coatings of various kinds to keep contents from sticking to the side walls of the container are available. Certain plastic materials or raw-rubber products would come in this category.

The properties of the corrugating medium contribute substantially to the properties of the finished board in a corrugated container. Seven types of coarse paperboard generally used as corrugating mediums are: strawboard, bogus, semi-chemical, Fourdrinier kraft, cylinder kraft, chip and chestnut, each with characteristics of value to specific applications.

Flute size is closely related to cushioning ability and resistance of the board (from which a box is constructed) to crushing compressive forces. The flutes of a corrugated wall are specified by size A, B or C. A-flute is approximately 3/16" high with 36 flutes or corrugations per linear foot. B-flute is 1/8 in. high with 50 flutes per foot. C-flute is 5/32 in. high with 42 flutes per foot. Other things being equal, A-flute will produce board with the least flat crush resistance and B-flute the most. A can box, for instance, requires little or no top load, but ample side and end load protection, making a B-flute type of board advisable. Where light weight contents are involved, calling for maximum protection against top load, A-flute corrugations are usually recommended. C-flute, of course, falls midway between A and B in performance.

Most corrugated containers in use are of the slotted type and of one-piece construction. Shipped flat to the user, they can be stored easily in a comparatively small space until needed. Proper closure in using slotted containers is of utmost importance, placing much responsibility for successful shipment on the shipper.

In general, corrugated and solid fiberboard boxes are accepted for freight and express shipment when the gross weight of the box and contents does not exceed 160 lb., and the inside dimensions (length, width and depth added) do not exceed 120 united inches. These limitations are for one-piece boxes only, and can be exceeded in special instances which must be ruled on individually by carriers. In general, two-piece corrugated containers are permitted to carry heavier loads.

Excellent guides to selection of corrugated fiber-board boxes are: Rule 41 of General Freight (railroad) Regulations, and Rule 18, Railway Express Specifications and Regulations. It must be borne in mind, however, that these rules are minimum specifications, and, because of their nature some products will often require boxes made stronger than the specifications might indicate.

Your best bet is to work closely with a box supplier who has a thorough knowledge of container board, con-

tainer construction, carrier regulations. This, combined with the studies you have made of your own product can result in a container which gives complete protection at low cost and which fits into your production setup, as well as your shipping operations.

## If You Use Drums or Barrels

Steel drums are made in two basic types to suit them to a variety of products: Light Drums are those

### IF YOU MAKE YOUR

## . . you can use automatic box makers . . .

Where relatively small quantities of many different sizes of corrugated containers are used, automatic box making equipment can help to make operations more efficient. With "quick-change" machinery now available, it is possible to get the exact size box required, exactly when it is wanted. Since you need only store sheet stock, in relatively few sizes, the problem of how to store seldom used sizes of containers is eliminated.

Where long runs of standard size boxes are used, however, it is still best to purchase standard, pre-made boxes.



BOX MAKING DEPARTMENT illustrates an excellent layout of facilities for in-plant corrugated box making. In background is supply of box board and cutter which supplies sizes needed for any container. At left foreground is box maker and at right foreground is machine which seals the "manufacturer's seam" of the box.

made of steel lighter than 20 gauge and of 100 capacity, and of open head construction. Heavy Drums are made of 20 gauge or heavier steel and are other than open head style. The latter are called tight head drums and are usually equipped with two screw thread openings.

Open head drums are primarily used for the shipment of heavy liquids, shortenings, greases and other products hard to pour or pump from tight head drums. Lime dusts, granular materials and finished metal products such as instruments and aircraft parts are some of the materials now being shipped successfully in steel drums.

Fiber drums are useful in the shipment of many bulk materials. Note that to qualify as a shipping container, a fiber drum must meet the minimum strength requirements laid down in freight regulations. Cylindrical fiber cans for retail packaging are relatively much lighter than drums for shipping. For example, a onegallon fiber drum would be at least two or three times stronger and heavier than a one-gallon fiber can.

For shipment of hygroscopic or deliquescent products, special bag liners are generally used, or a barrier material may be built into the drum during manufacture. For wet products without an excessive amount of free liquid, drum interiors may be impregnated with hot paraffin spray or they may be resin treated.

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#### **OWN CONTAINERS**



WOODEN TABLE was built onto this nailing machine to adapt it to nailing of large crate sides. At the push of a foot pedal, the machine makes a nail from a coil of wire, drives it, and countersinks it to exactly the right depth, at speed of 3 per second.



ADJUSTABLE BOX LIDDER automatically end nails lids on boxes of mixed sizes. It adjusts its nailing mechanism to any size box, from a minimum of six inches deep, six inches wide and 15 inches long, to 18 inches deep, 24 inches wide and 50 inches long.

#### . . . or you can use nailing machines.

Nailing machines are flexible, are adjusted quickly and simply enough to fit economically into jobs thought impossible in the past. Production need not be in the thousands to make this type of equipment useful in your plant. Whenever nails are used, nailing machines which drive any type of nail or which make and drive their own nails can help to achieve greater speed, greater efficiency and better nailing jobs.

If only one size box is to be made for long production runs, an automatic or semi-automatic machine will offer the most in speed and economy. On the other hand, if great production is not of topmost

importance, but initial cost is, then a general purpose machine might be called for. Such would usually be the case when several types and sizes of boxes are required, and when change-over from one to another is frequent.

Basic types of nailing machines are: Edge nailers—permit work to pass across the front of the machine from side to side, and are limited in use to straight line or single staggered line nail drive; center line nailers—generally are open type and permit work to pass from front to back for flexibility pattern; box framers will drive all nails in one surface of a box at one stroke.

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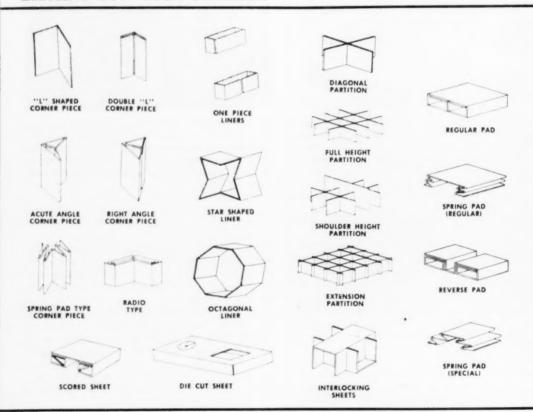
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A wrong guess in the design of the interior parts of a package can result in costly product damage, a waste of packaging material, and high shipping costs. The solution: don't guess.

#### 21 STANDARD TYPES OF BRACING FOR YOUR PACKAGE



### engineering the interior of the package

GUESSWORK inside the package can result in the complete undoing of all the intelligent planning which has been devoted to the design and manufacture and in the selection of the correct shipping container for any product.

Inadequate cushioning or bracing may offer no more protection than none at all. On the other hand, too much cushioning, can be extremely wasteful. A wrong guess in the packaging of finely finished metal objects may result in serious loss as a result of corrosion.

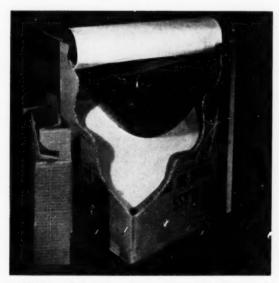
Only through careful planning of cushioning and bracing and of any necessary inner wrappings and dessicants can you be certain that the product will be removed from the package at its destination in the same perfect condition in which you shipped it.

#### Cushioning

In deciding how much of which type of cushioning to use, one of the first considerations should be the nature of the packaged product itself. Obviously, a heavy, strong item would not require the same amount or the same type of cushioning that a light weight fragile item would need.

To help in the determination of the exact characteristics of any item to be shipped, numerous testing devices have been developed. Incline impact testers (used in conjunction with impact recorders), vibration testers, and drop testers all provide valuable information for the packaging engineer. Used correctly, they can accurately fortell where and when shock will start to take a toll on any product.

Another early consideration in the planning of in-



CREPED WADDING, die-cut corrugated sheets, and scored corrugated sheets all contribute to the inner packing of this package. Unit being shipped is odd-shaped, fragile cathode-ray tube.



IMPACT RECORDER firmly anchored to base of container in which upright freezer will ride gives accurate record of shocks and bumps experienced from packaging to destination. Gives time and magnitude of shock.

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terior cushioning should be "how much rough handling will the package receive between the packaging room and the final destination." This is generally determined through use of an impact recording device packed in with a product, to provide a test package. Such a test package when shipped under conditions expected for all packages, provides the packaging engineer with a graphic description of the time when a package was in motion, when it was standing still (as on a siding), when the package was turned on end, or knocked down, and when all shocks occurred.

With the information secured from tests of the product and shipping conditions to be expected, one is ready to proceed to the actual selection and design of cushioning. Cushioning material which can be used in the protection of a product for shipment include rubberized hair, cellulose wadding, shredded paper, excelsior, sponge rubber, wood felt, hair felt and corrugated paper.

Four points generally considered in the selection

WOODEN BASE used in conjunction with corrugated container provides ideal place for cleats which hold legs of appliance in place. Corrugated pad and creped wadding prevent top from shifting while in transit.

procedure are: 1. load-deflection characteristics or spring rate; 2. ability to retain height and spring rate after repeated shocks and after exposure to changes in temperature and moisture; 3. ease of application; 4. freedom from abrasiveness. In the case of foodstuffs and perishables, a fifth consideration might be the likelihood of the cushioning material to impart a foreign taste or to otherwise affect the product's condition.

In general, there are two approaches to the calculation of effective cushioning. One is a mathematical calculation of dynamic loads and corresponding deflection and the other considers stress-compression versus energy compression.

#### G-Factor in Cushioning

In either approach, it is necessary to know the G-factor of the article to be packaged. That is, simply, the resistance of the article to mechanical abuse in terms of how great a deceleration of motion it will stand. The G-factor represents a convenient way for product and package designers to express the overall



CORRUGATED POLYETHYLENE SHEET with creped kraft backing is wrapped around unit with sharp edges to protect against moisture and to cushion. Dipcoat seal provides additional moistureproofness in package.

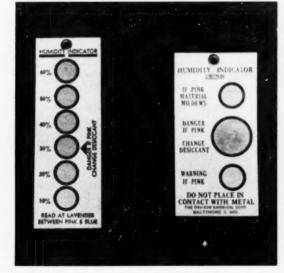
strength of the product in calculating the protection required.

With a package in free fall, the product inside experiences the same pressures during deceleration as the cushion which is resisting the downward pressure of the descending product. These pressures start at zero at the time of contact, increase to a maximum when the product is stopped, and return to zero as the compressed cushioning returns the product to its original position.

To express load in gravitational units or g's, divide the peak load by the product's weight. Divide the average load by weight for average acceleration experienced during the period of shock. The cushioning G-factor, then, is the peak acceleration (divided by the earth's acceleration) or the peak load (divided by the product weight) which the product or its weakest component can sustain without damage.

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HUMIDITY INDICATORS tell if package is doing job. Top—"Bulls-eye" indicator is installed into side of package, and provides outside indication. Two types of humidity indicator cards are shown in bottom photo.

### FORMULAS FOR USING DESICCANT UNITS

(from MIL-P-116 A)

Formula I—To find units of desiccant for use within barriers other than rigid metal containers . . .

U = 1.6A + 10D

Formula II—To find units of desiccant for use within sealed, rigid containers . . .

U = KV + 10D

Where U = number of units of desiccant to be used.

A = area of barrier in sq. ft.

D = lb. of dunnage within the barrier

K = 0.0007 when volume is given in cu. in., or . . .

K = 1.2 when volume is given in cu. ft.

V = volume of container in cubic in. or cu. ft.



RUBBERIZED HAIR has been molded in shapes to fit irregular shape of item being packaged in this drum. Cushioning is made up of bottom, two side pieces and top. Dessicant is added before cover is placed on.

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by Kaye Holstebro Chief Engineer Standard-Knapp Div. Emhart Mfg. Co.



Whatever the package holds...liquid, powder, granular material. pastes, large or small items...it is possible to complete it faster and often better through the use of some type of packaging machinery.

completing the package with automatic & semi-automatic . . .

# packaging machinery

A LMOST any type package can be accommodated by packaging machines. At the present time, automatic and semi-automatic equipment is available for use with glass containers, tin containers, paper containers (bags, cartons, cases, etc.) and flexible packages using plastic films. To a lesser extent, machines are also available to package and handle wooden cases.

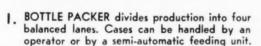
Operational and control devices on packaging machines can be broken down roughly into mechanical, air, hydraulic and electrical (the last category taking into consideration electronics, electric eyes and solenoids).

Packaging equipment available includes: loaders; unloaders; unscramblers; rinsers; soakers; soaker feed tables; cappers; labelers; palletizers; depalletizers; can, bottle, carton and bag packers; dry and liquid volumetric and weighing fillers; carton and case make-up units; bundling machines; overwrap machines; banding, gluing and sealing equipment; and case markers and printers. Machinery manufacturers have standard models which have been designed to cover most of the packaging problems in the industry. It is often necessary, however, to modify standard machines to solve special problems. Occasionally where a problem is completely new, entirely new units may have to be designed.

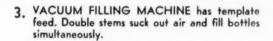
Selection of equipment for use in packaging products involves many considerations. The packaging engineer must be influenced by such factors as labor costs, material costs, building costs, space allocation, package design and competition.

As costs have gone up, they have been accompanied by an increasing importance in higher speeds and

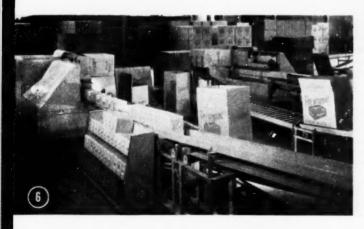


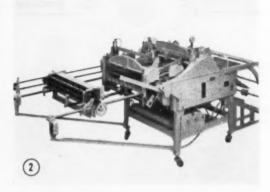




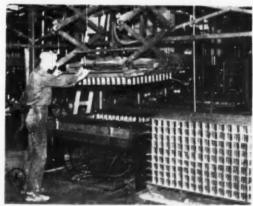


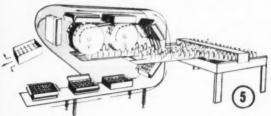
- PALLETIZER collects cans from processing line and arranges them in load pattern determined by size of can and size of pallet. Fork truck moves filled pallet.
- UNCASER, CLEANER AND WASHER LOAD-ER carries case holding empties into machine where they are inverted and bottles are removed by transfer wheels. Case is righted and bottles are conveyed to washer loader.
- END-LOADING SHIPPING CASES can be filled with great speed through use of this semiautomatic case loader.

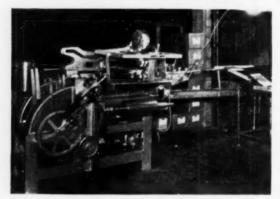




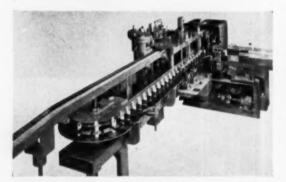








WRAPPING MACHINE is adjustable for wrapping a wide range of shapes and sizes. This unit is rust-proofed for protection under damp meat-packaging conditions. It is fully automatic.



SEMI-AUTOMATIC CARTONER requires only that operator grasp bottles and insert them in carton as it goes by. Compare those two simple operations with the five required for manual cartoning. (below)

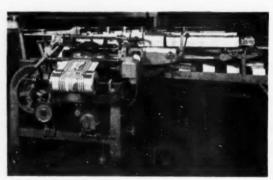
greater flexibility (adjustability) of packaging machinery. Today, such equipment must perform more operations in less time and require less operator attention than ever before. A machine must be able to use material which is the most economical and designed so that at high speeds there will be minimum of material spoilage.

With building costs at a record high, space in plants is at a premium. Often, this fact results in a lack of space for a given operation and contributes to demands for higher speeds and adjustability.

Of vital importance, however, is that the quality of the package must never be subordinated to any of the above factors. Above all, the basic job of package machinery is to produce a quality pack combining sales appeal and economy.

Package design, material costs and competition are all closely related problems. Competition may force

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ELECTRIC EYE REGISTER insures accurate register of printed designs on this wrapping machine.

#### 5 STEPS TOO MANY . .











LOADING CARTONS BY HAND involves five timeconsuming operations: 1. Operator must reach for and open the carton. 2. The bottom side flaps must be closed, and the tuck flap on the bottom must be inserted. 3. While holding carton in one hand, operator

must reach for the bottle. 4. Bottle must be inserted into the carton. 5. Top side flaps are closed, and top tuck flap inserted. Average speed of package completions by this method is 7 per min. By the machine (above left) that speed can be as high as 50 per min.



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Taping, strapping, stitching and stapling, gluing and sewing are all excellent methods for closing different types of containers. The problem is to use the right one, in the right way, at the right time. This article will help you to get the most out of whatever closure method you use.

equipment and material for . .

### closing the package



HIGH SPEED SEALING of corrugated cases is made possible by the machine shown in background of photo (left). As cans of coffee roll down chute from packing line, operator places open bottom of case at discharge of packaging machine which inserts 24 cans into container. Then, he merely tilts the filled case back onto the roller conveyor between himself and the case packer. Filled containers are carried to sealing machine where tops and bottoms are glued simultaneously. Glue is applied to flaps in a thin, even film by driven glue rolls, then flaps are closed and compressed for correct length of time for tight, permanent seal.

WHAT is the shipability rating of your package? Will it remain securely closed throughout the rough treatment it can be expected to receive during handling and shipment? How well can it withstand top-to-bottom pressures, or end-to-end pressures, or drops, or constant vibrations?

If the shipability rating of your product's package is low, and it does tend to open when the going gets rough, you had better check into your closure methods. The penalty for failure to close a package correctly is not only the loss of valuable merchandise which might fall out, be damaged, or be stolen. The good will of a customer is dealt a death blow when products are received in poor condition because a package opened prematurely. The loss of even a single customer is a consequence much too serious to permit the use of cheap, inadequate or incorrect methods of closure.

Your insurance that all packages you send out will arrive safely lies in the correct use of a good closure material. Taping, strapping, stitching and stapling, gluing, and sewing are all excellent methods for closing different types of containers . . . if they are used properly. If used improperly, they cannot begin to do as good a job for you as their manufacturers intended.

#### Selecting and Using Tapes

In general, the types of tapes available for package sealing include the following: water-activated gummed paper tape; reinforced tapes; and pressure sensitive tapes.

Water-activated gummed paper tape, when properly moistened and applied, provides a lasting seal in an economical and easy operation. There are many weights, sizes and grades of tape, each for a particular application. To be sure that you have the right tape for the job, it is a good idea to check with your sup-

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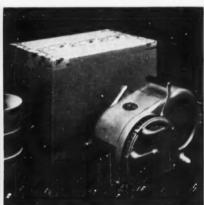
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Better Packages, Inc	5	07B
Hampton Mfg. Co., Industrial Tape Division	5	15
International Staple & Machine Co	2	02
Marsh Stencil Machine Co	5	00
Powers Wire Products Co	3	04B
Seamless Rubber Co	5	03
Signode Steel Strapping Co	3	06
The Stanley Works, Steel Strapping I	)iv 2	13
U. S. Steel Corp. Gerrard Steel Strapping Div	. 207, 2	09

plier, and to study the regulations of the carriers by which you ship.

A common example of incorrect selection and use of tape is in shipping rooms where two strips of overlapping 60 lb. tape are used to seal the center seam of a corrugated box. The second strip is usually permitted to overlap the first slightly, with the rest of the tape sticking just to the carton surface. This second strip has little value in strengthening the seam. It is wasted tape, and the effort and time spent in applying it also is wasted. It would be better to apply the second







PRESSURE SENSITIVE TAPE DISPENSER (left) is of pull and tear type. Operator pulls out tape, checking length on indicator, and tears off proper length. HAND DISPENSER (center) is used with pressure sensitive reinforced tape. Marks on tape indicate length

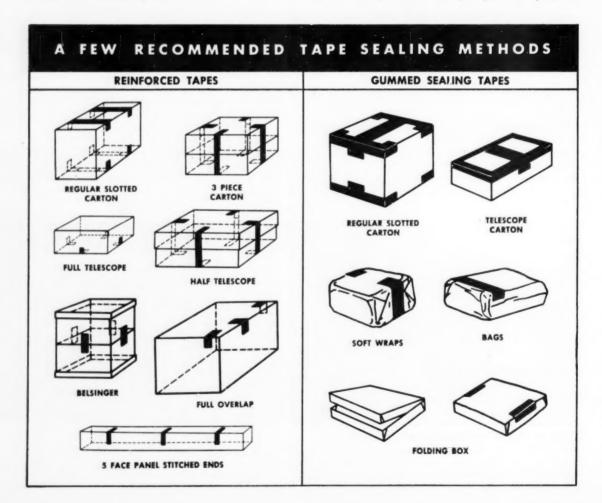
of tape which has been dispensed. AUTOMATIC DIS-PENSER (right) measures and cuts off predetermined lengths of water-activated gummed paper tape. Printed tape serves a dual purpose of closing and marking package with sales message or trade mark.



TEAR STRIP TAPE makes securely sealed corrugated box easy to open. Tear strip is adhered to inside of the container with only a small tab on outside. To open, tab is pulled outward, zipped around carton's sides and the lid is ready to lift off.



STEEL STRAPPING insures permanent closure of this corrugated container used to ship washing machines. Flaps at ends of container interlock with flaps on end pieces. When the strapping is applied, a dirt and dust proof closure which can't open prematurely results.



#### closing the package



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strip directly over the first to at least provide double reinforcement.

A better solution, however, would be the use of a single strip of heavier, stronger tape. The result would be cheaper, stronger and would require only half as much work.

A generally acceptable rule-of-thumb for the selection of the correct basis weight and width of paper tape is as follows:

Center slotted type boxes which will carry less than 50 lb. should be sealed with 60 lb. tape, no less than two inches wide, preferably three inches wide. When over 50 lb., these containers should use 90 lb. tapes, three or four inches wide. Telescope cartons, when used for light weight merchandise, are sealed with 60 lb. tape in widths no less than two inches. For weights in excess of 50 lb., three-inch or four-inch 90 lb. tape should be used. Overlapping flap boxes should be sealed with 60 lb. tapes for lightweights and 90 lb. tapes for heavyweights. Tape should be three or four inches wide here too.

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#### DRIVEN AND CLINCHED STAPLES

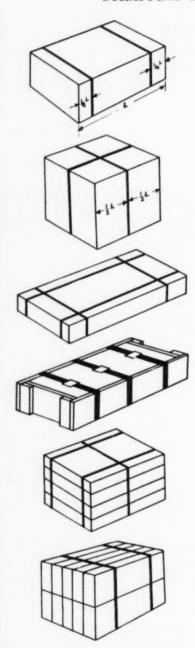
Staple	Trouble	Cause	Remedy
	Perfect Stitch (.175 to Perfect Stitch (Crown	o 1/4" Crown Width) n Widths greater than 1/4")	
(*)	Loose clinch		Check setting of Stitcher for thickness of work being stitch- ed, and raise clinchers.
COJ	Legs spread	Worn wire cutters	Check movable and stationary cutters; sharpen or replace cut- ters.
		Former grooves worn	Check formers; replace if grooves are worn.
		Wire straightener not properly adjusted	Check setting of wire straight-
		Thickness of work beyond capacity of machine	Check thickness capacity of Stitcher
J	Staple legs contracted	Worn wire cutters	Check movable and stationary cutters, sharpen or replace,
		Wire straightener not properly adjusted	Check setting of wire straight-
Ç	Crown buckled, tearing work		Check setting of Stitcher for thickness of work being stitched,
	Only one leg	Clincher not in alignment with driver	Align clincher and driver,
S	Short legs	Insufficient wire draw	Increase amount of wire draw,
Ň	Legs cross	Wire draw too great	Decrease amount of wire draw,
Û	Uneven clinching	Clincher not level and parallel with formers	Adjust clincher setting

#### TROUBLE SHOOTING CHART

#### FORMED STAPLES

		FORMED STAPLES	
Staple	Trouble	Cause	Remedy
A	Perfect staple		
	Right leg short	Wire spool dragging	Adjust wire spool tension,
1.		Wire slipping in wire feed gears	Check tension setting of wir feed gears.
		Upper and/or lower wire tube clogged or worn	Check wire feed tubes,
		Cutter block not properly pos- tioned with relation to gripper	Make adjustments
		Improper wire feed due to over lubricated or worn wire feed clutch	Check operation of ware feed
		Wire slipping in gripper due to normal wear of gripper bar clamp piece or insufficient ten- sion in clamp piece spring	Check gripper bar clamp piece and spring-
	Left leg short	Cutter block not properly pos- tioned with relation to gripper	Adjust length of left leg,
		Wire slipping in gripper due to normal wear of gripper bar clamp piece or insufficient ten- sion in clamp piece spring	Check gripper bar clamp piece and spring.
0	Staple corner buckled	Chipped or broken driver	Check driver ends for signs of damage, reverse or replace driv er.
<b>[</b> ]	Either or both legs buckled	Wrong size wire being used for work being stitched	Check wire size for work being stitched.
		Dull wire Cutters	Check movable and stationary cutters; sharpen or replace cut- ters,
		Worn supporter, or supporter retracts too easily due to in- sufficient spring tension	Check for worn supporter and broken or weak supporter spring,
3	Bent crown	Wrong size wire being used for work being stitched	Check wire use for work being stitched.
,		Supporter retracts too easily	Check for weak supporter spring,
		Wrong setting of Stitcher ad- justment for thickness of work being stitched	Check Stitcher adjustment for thickness of work being stitched
•	Left leg missing	Wire slipping in gripper due to normal wear of gripper har clamp piece or clamp piece spring	Check gripper har clamp piece and clamp piece spring.
		Cripper out of alignment with formers	Check to see that formers and gripper are in proper align ment.
	Right leg missing	Wire slipping in wire feed gears	Check tension setting of wire feed gears , check for worn gears .
		Refer to Causes for "Left leg missing"	Refer to Remedies for "Left leg missing".
		Gripper not operating properly due to broken or weak gripper bar holding springs	Check for broken or weak grip per springs
	Staple comes out in pieces	legs missing	Refer to Remedies for Left and Right legs missing.
		Supporter edges worn sharp	
			Check wire being used.
	Corner of staple broken or nearly		Check wire being unol.
111	broken thru		Check for worn supporter.  Check for worn formers and
			driver.

#### STRAPPING DO'S . . .



- 1. Use two or more straps on packages over 100 lb. per cu. ft. Place them about 1/6 of the length from each end.
- 2. Use two cross straps on large square, or almost square, boxes. Apply them across the middle of the box at right angles to each other.
- 3. Use more than two straps on long narrow boxes. Apply lengthwise straps first. Girthwise straps should not be more than 24 inches apart.
- 4. Tighten strapping around corrugated containers so that it is flush with box at all points, but not tight enough to buckle box. On wooden containers, tension straps sufficiently to indent edges.
- 5. Bundle light weight or small containers together when shipping long distances or exporting, to lower shipping rates on entire lot.
- 6. Bundle light packages for express shipment into 10-lb. units. The cost of one 10-lb. unit is much less than the cost of 10 one lb. units.

Proper storage of paper tape is vitally important. It should be kept at moderate temperatures and humidities away from radiators, open windows, or sources of moisture. Rolls should be kept in the original wrapper with flaps tucked-in after removal of a roll. ALWAYS use up your old tape first.

#### **Gummed Tape Dispensers**

In the use of water-activated gummed paper tape, there is no factor of greater importance than correct moistening. Proper conditioning of the glue depends on the amount of water and the pressure applied in the dispensing of tape. Under-moistening produces only a partial seal, no matter how much the tape is rubbed down. Overmoistening means a weak glue solution and a weak seal. Application becomes difficult because tape tends to slide around and longer rubdown is required. The selection of a correct dispenser is one way to insure proper moistening of tape.

With the great variety of tapes on the market today, it has become a big problem to select a machine which will give best results under specific conditions. The major points to consider in selection of a dispenser are generally: the type of tape to be used; the width of tape to be used; the outside diameter of rolls to be used; the length of the strip that you will want to dispense most generally; the difficulty with which the tape releases from the roll.

There are three major types of equipment for use with gummed tape.

1. Pull-and-tear moisteners— Have no pressure control, no water level control. Moistening depends entirely upon the operator's judgment. Best suited to sealing jobs where a single type of tape, always purchase from the same supplier, and always used on the same type of container holding the same weight.

2. Machines with factory pre-set pressure device—These generally have water-level control, but do not have a variable adjustment for pressure during the wetting of the

tape.

3. Machines with adjustable pressure plates—These usually include water level control, and permit the degree of moistening to be adjusted to fit each grade of tape and every glue formula. Often, these machines are electrically operated from a hand or foot switch, or from a lever, dial, or push buttons.

#### Pressure Sensitive Tapes

Pressure sensitive tapes come in a wide variety of backings (cellophane, acetate fibre, flatback paper, cloth) and may be used for sealing all types of containers including boxes, cans, corrugated and fibreboard tubes, bottles, bags, etc. In many instances, they are used for bundling in the shipment of long lengths like rod, pipe, etc.

Two simple and basic rules in the use of pressure sensitive tapes are: 1. the box should be clean and free of dust and dirt; 2. the right type of tape must be selected for the job intended. Where packages are destined for rough handling, wide widths of tape are desirable. Wherever freezing conditions or moisture are to be encountered, special highly adhesive tapes are usually desirable.

The do's and don'ts of pressure sensitive use are similar in a great degree to those of water activated gummed paper tapes.

They include:

- DO—Rotate your stock of tape to release oldest tapes first. Always arrange stocks so that tapes which have been on the shelves longest will be taken automatically as orders are filled for the packaging department.
- DO—Keep tape in the original containers. Tape containers are designed to provide protection for the tape packed in them.

DO—Keep the stock room where tape is stored cool and well-ventilated.

DO-Protect tape from exposure to direct sunlight. DO—Fold back a ¼ in. length of tape for easy starting when a bare roll is being used alone, without a dispenser. This is especially necessary with transparent tapes where the end is often hard to

locate.

DON'T—Pick up tape by placing one or two fingers at the END of a strip of tape. Wherever you hold a piece of tape, you transfer the natural grease (Continued on page 134)

#### STRAPPING DON'TS . . .



1. DON'T use the wrong size strapping. Too light a strap can result in failure and too heavy a strap is wasteful.

2. DON'T place straps improperly. Failure can often be traced to just such an error. All packages should

be studied carefully to insure that strapping is placed properly.

3. DON'T use improper tools. Many styles of tools are furnished by the various companies that make strapping. The right one can be found for nearly every application. Have new applications checked by a strapping maker's representative.

4. DON'T permit sharp corners, particularly metal, to come in direct contact with the strapping you are using. This type of carelessness can result in cut strap during shipment.

5. DON'T let strapping twist during application. Twist can result in damage, not only to the strapping, but to containers or objects brought in contact with it.







HAND MARKER can be used on ony surface (round, flat, smooth, rough) on corrugated products, burlap, any fabric, rubber, asbestos, metal, glass, enamelled surfaces, waxed surfaces. It can produce up to 160 impressions per minute and uses quick drying ink.



HAND STAMP DUPLICATOR uses stencil with die impressed ready for use. Fill-in information is added with bold marking stylus, or typwriter may be used where small letters are needed. Both the form and the information are printed on container simultaneously.



CASE NUMBERING DEVICE marks legibly on wood, canvas, and any other rough surfaces. This unit is self inking, changes numbers consecutively, or will duplicate numbers, or it will repeat indefinitely as required. Can be used by operator at conveyor line.



A primary reason for a large proportion of all damage claims can be traced to incorrect marking of packages. Here are some ideas which can help you to reduce damages, and cut costs.

OUR package is excellent. You have planned it carefully from the very beginning (when you designed the product to be enclosed). The container has been selected with utmost care . . . cushioning, bracing, all interior packing has been engineered to do the job perfectly. Closure of the package suits every requirement you could think of. It appears that your job is done.

But is it?

Wouldn't it be ridiculous to have this fine package fail to arrive safely at its destination, or to fail to arrive at all, merely because it has been incorrectly or illegibly marked? Improper marking of packages has been cited as a large contributor to damages which last year led of over \$107,000,000 in claims which were paid out by American Railroads. Approximately 10% of that total can be attributed to unclaimed freight. Similar losses were experienced by trucking firms.

Of little consolation is the fact that carriers seldom fail to make good on most claims. Obviously, such tremendous losses can only result in higher freight rates.

You can do much to reduce damage costs merely through careful marking. Always be certain that each package is marked properly with necessary information concerning weight, lot, route, destination. Be ticket for safe shipment . . .

### a clearly marked package

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American Tape Printer Co	323
Derby Sealers, Inc	700
Adolph Gottscho, Inc	113A
Mark'Andy, Inc	509A
Markem Machine Co	304
Marsh Steneil Machine Co	500
Speedry Products, Inc	525
Weber Addressing Machine Co	517



ROLLER is being used here to corner-mark nailed wooden boxes. Used with obliterating ink, the roller can cover over old markings on a re-used container. It will cover over all previous markings in one coat and will dry in from two to five minutes.



Crayons and Marking Pens Wherever one-of-a-kind shipments are made, it is

with hints for the proper use of each.

desirable to consider the use of crayons and marking pens for addressing, coding and special instructions. Crayons are available in a variety of colors for use on such materials as lumber, smooth wood, glass, and

sure that all information is not only clear, but that

You can be certain of good, clear marking if cor-

rect use is made of: crayons and marking pens, tags

and labels, addressing machines, hand markers, con-

veyor line markers, dies, stamps, automatic rotary

imprinters, printing rolls, stencils, printed tapes and

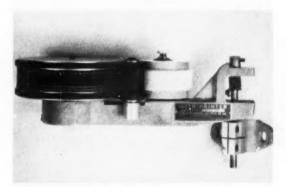
pressure sensitive tapes. Following are descriptions of types of marking material or equipment you can use,

for general purpose application.

it is permanently affixed.

Marking pens operate in a manner similar to fountain pens and feature unusually large reservoirs for the special inks with which they write. In using this type of equipment, be sure above all else that good, legible handwriting or printing is used. Letters should be as large as space will permit. Tips of crayons, pencils and pens should be cleaned often since a dirty point will not permit proper marking and will make reading difficult.

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CONVEYOR LINE MARKER automatically dates, codes or marks production runs of cartons, packages. It operates by friction between the moving package and the marker. Inking is through a felt roller with self contained reservoir. Uses rubber type.



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#### Stencile

Stencils are well known for their usefulness in addressing shipments. With stencil cutting machines available today, they provide a quick, efficient method for clear marking of cartons, boxes, crates and any items to be shipped. Chances of error where the same size, quantity, color, grade and like details must be

LABELING MACHINE can apply from 25 to 60 labels per minute, depending upon operator. For greater production, special automatic feeds may be used so two, three, or four bottles may be labeled at one time.

marked on every package in a group are practically eliminated.

Stencil cutting machines, similar in operation to punch presses are available for perforating letters and numbers into stencil boards. Generally, they are available to stamp letters from ½ in. to 1¾ in. high, up to four or six lines generally, and seven lines on certain types. Machines may be manually or electrically operated. Some are friction-fed, others have automatic paper carriages.

In using stencils, apply ink with care, using it sparingly. Too much ink on the brush causes the stencil to blur. If ink seeps beneath the stencil board, the message will smear. This problem is practically non-existent when one uses "press button" fountain brushes which are available. With this type brush, a valve keeps ink sealed in a reservoir until a button is pressed. Then, it permits only enough ink to come through to the bristles for neat, clean marking.

Treat stencil brushes like fine paint brushes. They pick up dirt and dust which cause messy stencils. For healthy brushes, it is recommended that they be soaked in gasoline or kerosene occasionally and that they then be allowed to stand overnight.

LABEL PRINTER AND ADDRESSER is fast and simple to operate. It not only prints and addresses labels, but also cuts them off at just the right size. It also can keep count of number of labels printed.



CYLINDER MARKER for use on small bottles, vials, and small containers. Size of objects to be marked can vary from 1/4 in. to 21/4 in. diameter with maximum printing area of 27/8 in. by six in.



MARKING PENS do a good job where packages which are not uniform in shape must be marked. Large reservoir in handle of pen permits many markings before refilling is necessary. Quick-drying inks are used.



STENCIL BRUSH has reservoir in handle for stencil ink. A press of a button releases just enough ink for a clean, sharp mark. It prevents over-inking and hard-to-read blots and smudges on packages.

Proper application is essential. Too much pressure is likely to fan out the bristles of the brush. A reasonably light pressure in a rotary motion is suggested for best results.

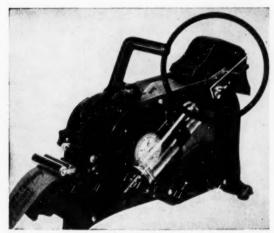
In most cases, the following size letters are recommended: for packages up to 18 in. long, use a  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. stencil; for packages up to 24 in. long, use a  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. stencil; for packages over 24 in. long, use a one in., or larger stencil.

#### Dies, Stamps, Automatic Rotary Imprinters

When it is desirable to mark continuously, like on a conveyor line, rubber dies, rocker stamps and automatic rotary imprinters are often used. These may



BOOKMATCH FOLDER contains no matches, but pressure-sensitive plastic marking tape strips, pre-cut to small label size. These labels are ideal for small packages destined for storage since they are easily cleaned.



TAPE PRINTING ATTACHMENT for use with any standard three-inch gummed tape dispenser. It makes possible the marking of trade mark, address, printing instructions while sealing tape is applied to package.



SELF-INKING CONVEYOR LINE MARKER is shown here marking flavor on tops of ice cream containers. The device may be mounted in vertical position as here, or it may be placed horizontally for side printing.

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#### IF YOU HAVE TO ABBREVIATE ....

use the abbreviations listed below. They are used universally and will be understood by everyone handling your package.

B/L-Bill of Lading C.I.F.—Cost, insur-F/B-Freight Bill ance and W/B-Way Bill freight B/O-Bad Order No-BXS-Boxes tation CTNS-Cartons L.C.L.-Less than CRTS-Crates carload NATD-Nested C.L.-Carload BBL-Barrel Min. Wt.-Minimum BU-Bushel weight PKG-Package NOIBN-Not other-MDSE-Merchandise wise in-C.O.D.-Cash on dedexed by livery number WT.-Weight S.U.—Set up PT .- Pint K.D.-Knocked down QT .- Quart F.O.B.-Free on GL.-Gallon hoard OZ.—Ounce F.A.S .- Free along-CWT-Hundredside steamer weight C.A.F.-Cost and

VOL.-Volume

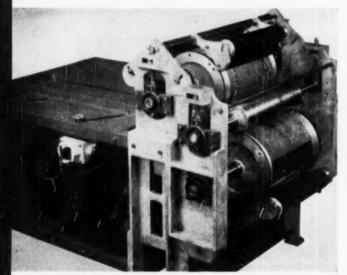
be purchased with or without changeable inserts.

Rocker stamps may be of a type which is inked with an auxiliary pad, or they may be self inking. They may use rubber type for marking, or they may use stencils similarly to duplicating machines. To use this latter type stamp, one need only mark the proper message on the stencil with stylus or typewriter, and affix the stencil to the printer. They will stamp clearly and distinctly on any flat or cylindrical, porous surface. Chances for errors are practically eliminated since only the original stencil need be checked. All markings will be identical to the stencil.

In some instances, operators stationed along a conveyor line with hand markers do the marking of packages as they go by. In many other cases, the marking equipment is attached directly to the conveyor and prints through friction with the containers moving on the line. Markers may be attached to case sealers and other types of packaging machinery. These units operate automatically, with no supervision except for changing the message on the roller, or for reinking.

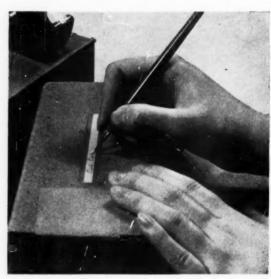
Roller type hand printers are available to give marking speeds of up to 160 impressions per minute. These may be purchased with permanent dies or with provisions for changing the information to be printed.

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freight

AUTOMATIC PRINTER for imprinting trade marks and other information on knocked-down corrugated or fibreboard shipping containers. Features high speed.



PLASTIC MARKING TAPE consists of plastic strip laminated to pressure sensitive backing. Markings on the tape may be made with a stylus, pencil, nail, etc.



Photo courtesy Monarch Rubber Company

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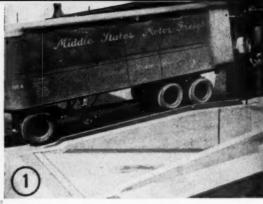
STEEL STRAPPING

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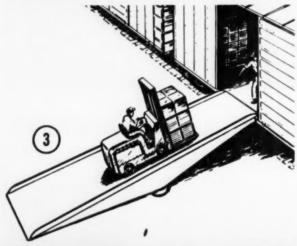
#### INTO THE VEHICLE . . .

I. HYDRAULIC LEVELING DEVICE is installed in front of dock and raises or lowers truck to match its bed with height of the dock. Relieves conjested docks.

FORK TRUCK and castered skid bin provide a means of loading trucks where there is no dock and where volume is not great.











In-transit damage, misdirected shipments, excessive shipping costs can all be slashed through careful attention to dock-handling methods, methods of transferring material from dock to vehicle and correct in-the-vehicle lading protection.



R OUGH HANDLING on the dock and in transit are two conditions which should not be taken as a matter of course. True, a package should be designed and constructed to withstand even the toughest conditions, but for complete protection, handling and shipping methods should be made as safe and gentle as possible.

There is much you can do to be sure that your packaged product receives intelligent handling all the way to the customer. As much energy and study should be devoted toward that end as to the manufacturing and packaging of your product. Proper selection of dock handling equipment, dock accessories and lading devices for use in the vehicle will pay you dividends in

the following ways: handling time will be reduced; expensive in-transit damages will be slashed.

#### Dock Handling

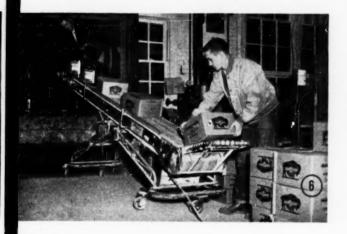
Important considerations in the selection of a dock handling system and of equipment to be used in such a system are: 1. volume and weight of material handled on the dock; 2. size of the dock.

The volume and weight of products to be handled on your dock will give a good indication of the capacity units required. Since the size of the dock determines the traveling distances to be expected for your equipment, it obviously has a direct bearing on the handling system to be used.

A good dock operation is one where the loading and

ood package rocedures include . .

### safe dock handling and shipping



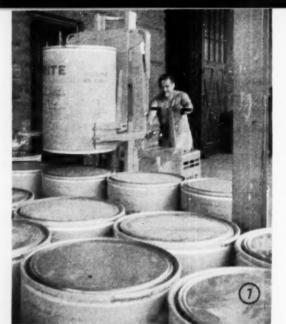
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- 3. MOVABLE LOADING RAMP makes a loading dock out of any convenient ground level area. It is easily moved to any place in yard where truck is parked.
- 4. HYDRAULIC DOCK RAMPS raise or lower to meet height of any truck or trailer. Note long length to prevent steep grades. Same units may be hinged onto edge of dick if space they take up cannot be spared.
- 5. FORK HIGH LIFT WALKIE provides fork truck stacking features inexpensively where hauls are not too long. Has capacity of 3000 lb. and is electric.
- 6. PORTABLE CONVEYOR maintains smooth flow of packages from warehouse stacks directly into truck.









- 7. REMOVABLE DRUM CLAMP adapts fork high lift walkie to the stacking and loading of different size drums.
- 8. MAGNESIUM DRAW BRIDGES are light weight and are raised or lowered easily to permit free movement in shipping area with several tracks below floor level.
- 9. LOADING DOCK BUMPER prevents damage to edge of dock when trucks bump into dock.
- 10. INDUSTRIAL TRACTOR may be walked or ridden by operator. Provides flexible handling method where platform trucks are used to carry shipments accumulated in stock room.



unloading of handling equipment is at a location on the dock which results in minimum of travel to and from the storage area.

In making a selection of equipment for use in dock handling, be sure to give complete consideration to each of the following points:

- Two-wheel hand trucks of various designs and styles are best suited to docks where daily volume is 50,000 lb. or less. They require cross aisles about 3½ ft. wide and side aisles 5 ft. wide.
- The fork truck-and-pallet system of handling material on docks is economical and practical in most instances where volume is substantial and when material must be floored prior to loading. The fork truck moves fast and can stack material to utilize the cube. It will handle shipments as units and thus reduce the manual handling required.
- 3. It has been estimated that approximately 90% of miscellaneous material on docks can be palletized Systems utilizing pallets, skids, pallet-containers of various types, etc., have the advantage of unit handling of a number of items at a single time. Hand lift trucks, powerized walkies and tractor trailer trains can all be used advantageously in such systems of handling on docks.
- 4. Conveyors used to handle freight across docks are usually of the power chain type, either floor or overhead, and are used to transport material-carrying carts from one carrier spot to another. They are adjustable to various speeds and are economical. Generally, such conveyors are ideally suited for large transfer operations and long docks. It is important to remember, however, that where packaged products must be floored,



the carts used in connection with floor or overhead chain conveyors may take up excessive floor space and it may be necessary to locate the conveyor some distance from the dock edge to allow parking space for carts adjacent to the vehicle loading spots.

 Electric or manual hoists may be used with cranes or on monorail tracks where heavy, bulky items must be moved across the dock. With this type of system, it is best to extend tracks over the apron area so that open trucks or trailers may be loaded or unloaded.

#### Storing on the Dock

The goals in planning the stacking of floored freight on a dock should be: a maximum utilization of available floor space and a reduction of damage to products. If manual handling is used, stacking is largely limited to the worker's reach and seldom exceeds six feet unless packages are exceedingly light.

A shipment stored on a dock should be able to be found easily and picked up again without rehandling or restacking. "Digging" into stacked material on a dock to find units of a particular shipment can be prohibitively expensive. Pallets should always be spotted from the direction in which they will be removed. They should be stored from the cross aisles to eliminate congestion of main aisles.

If four-wheel hand trucks are used for storage on the dock, a sawtooth arrangement of the trucks will conserve working space. These storage locations should be constantly observed to avoid re-handling freight in the doorway area. Side aisles must be kept clear for free entry into vehicles. If this is not done, stored material may be moved several times before it is loaded. If there is no pattern for storage, trucks are







#### IN THE VEHICLE . . .

- II. STEEL STRAPPING and dunnage prevent movement of crates. Impact recorder provides record of impacts during shipment.
- 12. ADJUSTABLE COMPARTMENTS make it possible to segregate material going to several different places.
- 13. ADJUSTABLE BRACES moving independently of each other give unusual flexibility in the bracing of different size and shape packages in this specially equipped box car.



14. RATCHET BULKHEAD can be placed anywhere in wooden sided box car or trailer. It is adjustable to fit into vehicles from 8 ft., 9 in. wide to 9 ft., 4 in. wide.



IN THE VEHICLE . . .

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often pushed out into aisles to make room for long or bulky loads and traffic is greatly hindered.

#### Loading the Vehicle

The actual transfer of goods from shipping dock to vehicle is often a difficult problem where many shipping departments lost a great deal of efficiency. It is always most desirable to be able to deliver packaged material directly from storage into a vehicle. Even with the most careful planning, however, dock heights cannot be expected to fit perfectly the heights of beds of the various freight cars, trucks and trailers onto which loads must be placed for shipment.

Your best bet to defeat this problem is to have a dock which comes close to accommodating the majority of carriers. For the non-conforming vehicles, bridge

plates and other dock leveling devices can compensate for the variances in heights. Or, you can use portable conveyors, portable cranes, fork lift trucks, and similar equipment to do the loading.

#### Portable Bridge Plates

There are two main types of bridge plates:

- Manually portable models are easily handled and positioned by one man.
- Mechanically portable bridge plates, too heavy for manual moving, and usually positioned by equipment like fork trucks, hoists, etc.

Safety is an important consideration in the selection of any type of bridging equipment. Safety treads on bridge plates reduce skidding and slipping to a minimum. Beware of plain, unsupported home-made bridge

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15. LOADING BASE made of hard, lightweight chestnut fiberboard is said to be able to support any unitized load of bagged goods that a fork truck can lift. Formed flap along one edge permits tapered forks of a fork truck to slide under the load, even without a pallet, and to place entire unit in freight car. Fiberboard base is expendable and can accompany shipment to destination.



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#### CLOSING . . .

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from your fingers and reduce the tape's "tack" at that spot. It is much better to pick up a strip of pressure sensitive tape by placing one finger about 1½ inches from the end.

#### Reinforced Tapes

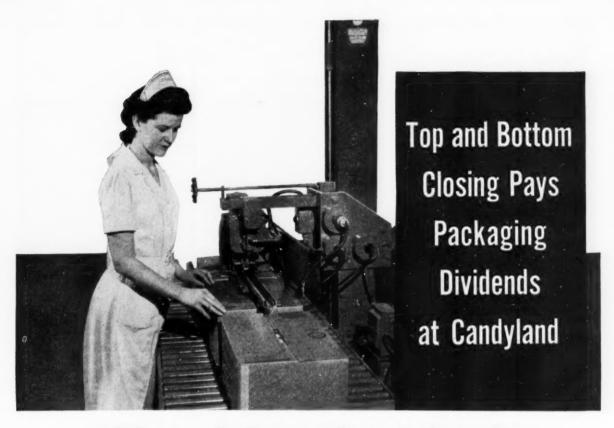
An example of the savings to be gained through the proper use of reinforced tapes is found at Pyramid Mouldings Inc., Chicago. This company ships up to 500 lb. of metal mouldings in double wall corrugated cartons, reinforced with three short strips of reinforced tape. The strips go less than half-way around the cartons. It was formerly costing the company about \$9.00 per unit to package its product. Even more serious, the packaging line was falling behind other operations.

Material costs have now been reduced more than 50% and labor savings have amounted to more than 75% as a result of the correct use of reinforced tape.

Both water-activated and pressure sensitive tapes may be purchased with reinforcement material in the form of filaments running lengthwise in the tape. (Another method of getting added strength is through a strong cloth backing laminated to a paper base). Of course, the primary advantage of this type tape is the added strength. Only few pieces are required for any closing job, and they may be relatively short in length. Time of application is also extremely short. Accompanying this article are sketches showing the use of reinforced tapes in relatively short lengths for closure of standard containers.

#### Steel Strapping

New ways to achieve cost-savings in the use of steel strapping for packaging purposes are constantly being developed. Through the efforts of groups such as the Association of American Railroads, container testing laboratories, and manufacturers of steel strapping, much has been learned



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in recent years about proper methods for using this material.

Constant study has resulted in the six strapping Do's which accompany this article.

Several methods have been developed pertaining to the use of strapping with corrugated or fibre board cartons. One type of container, a multi-sided box built to fit any shape product, incorporates interlocking flanges on top and bottom. Lids are put on, interlocked, and then strapped firmly, to make a closure which cannot be loosened. Half-slotted types of corrugated boxes can be sealed in the usual manner, then given added reinforcement with one or more straps, depending on weight of contents and size of package. If this is done correctly, the container whether small and heavy or large and bulky, has an improved chance to reach its destination in good condition.

Before you can select strapping for use in preparing your products for shipment, you will want to know: 1. the type of container which is to be strapped, (nailed wooden box, crate, corrugated carton, bundles of tubes, skid, pallet, etc.); 2. the weight and size of the containers which will be strapped.

In shipping non-compressible items, the use of strapping often makes it possible to stack or nest unit loads. The nature of the product, of course, determines whether protective padding with corrugated paper, board or other cushioning material need be used to prevent dents or scratches.

It is important to remember that regardless of how a product is shipped, its package should be designed for individual shipment to provide added insurance against loss. Strapping on the outside is a positive means of closure which is strong, pilfer-proof, easy to apply and easy to remove with the proper tools.

One of the most common mistakes made in the use of steel strapping is the failure to use the proper size strapping to suit the application. It is vitally necessary Circle No. 158 on Reader Service Card

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that this matter be carefully checked, since too light a strap can result in failure to do a satisfactory job, and, on the other hand, too heavy a strap, while it will not fail, will result in higher cost for packing material than is really necessary.

#### Strapping Tools

Incorrect tools can result in failure of a shipment just as can incorrect strapping. There are many styles of tools furnished by the various companies that make strapping and one can be found for nearly every application.

For  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch or  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch flat strapping, used on relatively light-weight containers, pliar-type stretchers are generally adequate. For  $18\frac{1}{2}$  ga. to 16 ga. round strapping, predetermined tensioning tools are required for effective performance. For heavier sizes of strapping lever operated tools are recommended.

Automatic and semi-automatic strapping equipment can be supplied for conveyor line use. They may have all operations (tensioning of the strap, cutting it from the coil, making the welded joint) all electronically controlled. Such equipment is worth looking into if your packaging lines operate at high speeds.

#### Stapling and Stitching

The correct number of staples, used in the right pattern on a package, is important to your package if you use this method of closure. That actual number of staples necessary, and the pattern you should use are to be decided upon only after careful study of your package and after consultations with stapling equipment manufacturers.

Whether your stapling equipment is hand or foot operated, cleanliness is a prime factor in lengthening its life. At frequent intervals, remove dust, dirt, staples, and odd pieces of scrap which fall or fly into the machine. A blow gun is handy for cleaning working parts.

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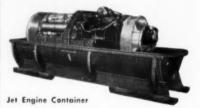
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lubricated. Wherever the manufacturer has supplied an oil hole, use it. A few drops now and then on any sliding surfaces will prolong the useful life of the equipment. If the machine is operated by air pressure, a light grade oil should be injected into the air supply line. This will lubricate the valves, air cylinders, and, if the exhaust is properly directed, other parts of the machine. Some pneumatic stapling machines are equipped with air line lubricators and lines to direct the exhaust air to lubricate as needed.

Be certain that the staples you are using are the right ones for your machine. Too often, fine stapling equipment has been ruined because someone has tried to fit a staple into the core of a machine; found that it apparently fit, and with no further consideration as to whether it is actually the staple which belongs to that particular core, tries to make it operate, come what may. It is a cardinal sin which causes wear, jams and obviously causes an imperfect stapling job.

Proper adjustment of your stitching and stapling machines is a must. If the equipment has several working parts which are adjustable, see that these are properly set. Sometimes, adjustments are provided to make up for wear. If so, use them. An improperly adjusted machine may wear out long before its life should be used up. If a machine is air powered, use as little pressure as possible to get the desired action. Using excessive pressure increases wear, increases possibility of breakdown.

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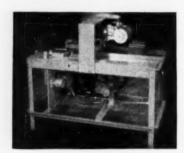
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# WHAT S NEW... in Packaging and Shipping Equipment



#### Munitions Marking Machine

The munitions marking machine shown here was designed and built by The Industrial Marking Equipment Co. Inc. The machine was designed for use by Remington Arms Co. It is a completely automatic ammunition can marking machine with a speed of approximately 25 cans per minute. The machine is adjustable for several sizes of cans. Although this machine was built for munitions work, it can be adapted to civilian products which lend themselves to this type of marking.

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#### Air Extractor

This air extractor manufactured by Cargo Packers Special Products Company is said to make polyethylene wraps practical to apply. The machine collapses the bag and permits easy sealing by the packer. No skill is required to operate the machine, and an important feature is finger-tip control by means of the nozzle-mounted switch. A slight pressure of the thumb or palm operates the air extractor, and the operator has positive exhaust control which eliminates bag fractures. The machine is mounted on casters for portability.

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#### Plastic Dip Tanks

Shown here is the double-vat electric dip tank manufactured by Aeroil Products Company, Inc. Called the "Plast-O-Dip #3," it meets the indirect heating specifications of plastic skin compounds such as ethyl cellulose and cellulose acetate butyrate. The manufacturer claims that aluminized surfaces of the inner vat assure full transparency to clear plastics and guard against discoloration. Nominal capacity is 3 gallons, with dip space length of  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches, width of 6 inches, and depth of 6 inches. Overall dimensions: length, 27 inches; width,  $12\frac{1}{2}$  inches; height, 19 inches.

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#### Glass Fiber Package Cushioning

Manufactured by Glass Fibers Inc., this glass fiber resilient board material, called "Vibraglass," is said to be incombustible, fungus and vermin proof, lightweight, chemically neutral, easily fabricated, insoluble in water and common solvents, and to have long endurance life with no permanent set. Made of glass fibers compressed and bonded, it is composed of highly flexible "glass springs" which produce immediate recovery after compression. The basic components can be varied with respect to resiliency, spring rate, vibration absorption and space requirements.

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#### Automatic Carton Stapling Machine

The International Staple & Machine Co. has announced development of a new 100% automatic carton stapling machine for closing center slotted corrugated or fibre cartons. Designed to fit into



existing conveyor systems, the stapling machine is built to include a conveyor belt that receives the filled carton from the main conveyor system prior to the stapling operation. As the carton is conveved to the stapling position, it hits a trip-switch which actuates a device that automatically

centers the carton at exactly the right spot for proper cross-stitch stapling of top flaps. While the carton is being centered, it continues to move forward on the conveyor to actuate a second tripswitch which causes an automatic mechanism to close the carton's end flaps . . . then its side flaps. Then two automatic retractable anvil stapling heads lower to the carton top and drive staples at predetermined positions along the center slot. After staples are driven, anvils are retracted and carton proceeds to the main conveyor system. The unit is air operated and will staple from 800 to 1000 cartons per hour.

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#### Insulated Corrugated Box

Perishable drugs need protection not only from shipping hazards, but from potency-robbing



changes in temperature. Hinde & Dauch Paper Co. has developed these boxes, called Insulpak boxes to meet that type of situation. Eight corrugated boxes, each containing the perishable drug are packed in an inner box which slips into a master corrugated

special container with 8-ply Thermocraft. A special container holds dry ice which maintains an even temperature inside the box.

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#### Air-Operated Tape Dispenser

An air-automatic pressure sensitive tape dispenser has been introduced by Derby Sealers, Inc., under the name "Grip-A-Tab." The air op-

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#### CORRECT CONTAINER . . .

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Greaseproof paper, glassine or resin treatments prepare fiber drums for shipment of products requiring greaseproof protection. For liquids, drums may be built to withstand normal transportation without leakage either by inserting a plastic bag such as polyethylene or by altering the usual method of construction to meet special requirements.

#### Don't Just Buy "Barrels"

If the container to be used for your packaged product is to be a barrel, don't just write out an order for a quantity of barrels. Be specific. There is considerably more to these containers than is at first apparent.

Barrels and kegs, varying in size from one to sixty gallons capacity, are generally divided into two main categories: slack barrels. and tight barrels. Slack barrels are for the shipment and storage of powders, semi-solids, and solids. Tight barrels are best used for liquids, many semi-solids, and heavy solids.

In ordering barrels, specify the type of product to be packed, where it will be shipped, how long it will be in storage, and all other pertinent data. Keep in mind that some products require special precautions, and a barrel of the wrong wood, an unlined barrel, or a barrel with the wrong lining could prove unsatisfactory. For example: food products should not usually be shipped in barrels made of pine. since that wood imparts a foreign taste to the contents. Powdered materials go best in a tongue-andgroove type slack barrel which protects against sifting.

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Three basic classifications of nailed wooden containers are: nailed and lock-corner wooden boxes; open crates; sheathed crates. They are available in an infinite number of sizes and through refinements in thicknesses or parts. they may be designed to give practically any degree of product protection. They may be purchased by



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users in the form of shook (knocked-down) or set-up form. Similarly, crates may be furnished in unitized panel or set-up form.

The first step in determining box specifications is to analyze the characteristics of the item being packaged. Physical properties of loads, including weight, size, fragility, shape and capacity for supporting the container are the first factors influencing proper shipping box specifications.

Probably the easiest way to select wooden containers is through use of rules and specifications published by the National Wooden Box Association. The rules indicate proper thickness of parts and correct nail sizes for use in fabricating boxes for practically any set of factors.

Essential information which should accompany your orders for nailed wooden containers, or which you should have available when consulting box and crate manufacturers is as follows:

- 1. Complete description of the items to be packed including:
  - a. Weight of items.
  - b. Dimensions of items.
  - c. Identification of load bearing points of product . . . approximate center of gravity . . . points where inside blocking and bracing can safely make contact.
  - d. Any special characteristics such as fragility.
  - e. Required degree of protection from weather etc.
- Total number of products to be shipped and number to be packed in each container.
- Are boxes needed in set-up or in shook form. If crates are to be used, are they needed in setup or unitized panel form.
- What markings are required on the container parts.
- 5. Is container for domestic or export shipment.

#### Wirebound Shipping Containers

The wirebound type of industrial shipping container is factorymade in accordance to particular specifications for each application. It is, in effect, a tailor-made product... for shipping items varying from the most delicate instruments and fragile ceramics to heavy and bulky machinery, farm equipment, and automotive products.

The engineering principle underlying the wirebound shipping container is that relatively light wood reinforced with steel wires gives equal or greater strength and shock absorbence than heavier wood not so reinforced.

The container designer must

consider: size, shape, weight and general character of the object to be packed; whether packing can be integrated with assembling; how the packaged product is handled and shipped; how far it must travel to its destination and how many times and with what equipment it is to be handled en route. He also must know whether it is for domestic or export shipment; packing room space and facilities which are available; warehousing and storage requirements and fa-





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cilities; how the package will be handled at the destination; will it be stored; stacked, or unpacked immediately; is protection against pilferage a major problem.

The engineer's goal in designing a wirebound container is to have one which has little tare weight and which does its job with as little interior packing as possible. The finished design should permit packing and unpacking without special tools and with a minimum of time.

Usually, wirebound containers consist of a one-piece mat and two ends (ends may also serve as top or bottom of container) which are nailed or inserted into place when the container is set up. Sometimes, the entire container is made in a single mat which incorporates all sides and both ends. These are designed to be assembled, ready for use, in less than one minute.

Precise mathematical formulae compiled by the Package Research Laboratory and the Wirebound Box Manufacturers Association are available to container engineers to help guide in the choice of proper types of wood, and the proper gauge of binding wires, the proper length, spacing and gauge of staples, the proper dimensions and thicknesses of face-boards, cleats, slats, and battens and the best way to combine them together to achieve a container that will provide the packing-for-shipment results sought.

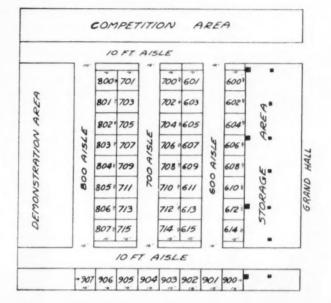
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In its September issue, Flow published a list of exhibitors at the 8th National Packaging and Material Handling Exposition. At the time of publication, all exhibitors were within the confines of the Grand Hall of the Mechanics Building in Boston. Since then, the demand for space has been so great that an annex area has been utilized for new exhibitors. Floor plan of the annex is shown at right, and exhibitors as of Sept. 10 are listed below.

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#### BIRTH OF A PACKAGE ...

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tory to find the reason, and also to see if the packaged product could be given certification of the Safe Transit Committee. The company's own engineers accompanied the range and were present for all tests.

Several changes in the design of the product were discovered to be necessary, and as a result of them, a large number of range bases which had already been produced had to be scrapped. A better design did result, however, and the packaged ranges are now able to pass the Safe Transit Test.

Another fine example of the close relationship existing between product design and packaging is one which occurred at Anaconda Wire & Cable Co. At that company, the adoption of an improved spool for winding fine magnet wire led to the development of a molded fibre container. The combination of the

two resulted in reduced damage, savings, and faster packing and unpacking.

Formerly, wood and metal spools which were relatively heavy and cumbersome were used for the magnet wire. Probably their main fault was their inability to sustain accuracy for any considerable period of time. Also, the old spools did not permit using the latest winding methods on high speed improved machines. Clearly, redesign was in order.

Finally, after considerable study, a spool was developed which incorporated accuracy, balance, strength and light weight with good appearance and durability and which could be repaired easily.

After development of the spool, it became apparent that a more desirable shipping container was essential. A molded fibre case weighing 1/3 as much as the old container and which requires only 1/3 as much storage space when empty was developed. With the old container, the magnet wire was susceptible to:

- 1. Bending or damage to the spools and flanges.
- 2. Damage to wire by spools hopping in transit.
- Dirt, dampness or damage to wire from improper storage conditions in the plant.

Through the combination of product and container re-design, these advantages have resulted:

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- Container conforms to carrier requirements and commodity classifications.
- 4. No extra packing is required.
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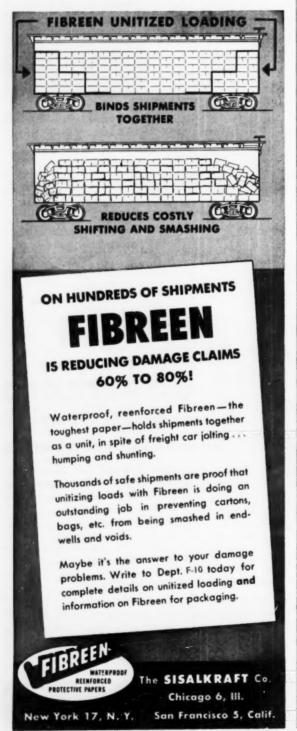
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#### Lower-Cost Shipping:

Bostitch offers literature showing how you can save time and money in 12 important shipping room operations with Bostitch machines. More than 30 machines are illustrated and described.

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#### Gross Bagger:

Bulletin 5301, offered by Richardson Scale Company, pictures and describes the company's semiautomatic gross bagger. Besides design features, the bulletin discusses speeds, capacities and accuracies of the bagger. It describes the bagging operation, and lists complete specifications. Also included is a dimensional engineering drawing showing top and side views.

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#### Bag Machine:

Packaging Machinery Company offers a bulletin on its Shell-Pakit machine for bag making, weighing and filling. It can be used for bagging any free-flowing product, and will also form a double-laminated bag from printed cellophane in roll form.

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#### **Nailing Machine:**

The Auto-Nailer Company has published a manual of instructions and parts catalog on the Crusader Model Auto-Nailer. It contains valuable information required to operate the machine and to keep it in good running order. Circle 257 on Reader Service Card

#### Container Marker:

Bulletin No. 304 from Barry-Wehmiller Machinery Company contains a complete description and engineering drawings of the Bruceway Marker for metal top glass containers and cans.

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#### NEW POWER HOIST LOADS BINS, VATS AND MIXERS

A new power hoist developed by Colson Equipment and Supply Co., Los Angeles, California, has recently excited favorable comment in the field of materials handling. This hoist called the "Cesco Dumper" upends and dumps bags, boxes, drums and barrels to load bins, vats and mixers. Food ingredients, ceramic materials, fertilizers, liquids, metal parts and other materials including waste, rub-



bish and broken glass are handled with equal efficiency. The company claims a labor savings up to 33 1/3% in the handling of food ingredients alone.

By eliminating manual lifting entirely, accidents among workers, due to muscular strains, hot splashing liquids and spilling corrosive acids have been substantially lowered. The following in quotes directs attention to the importance of this factor and a growing concern for loss of man hours due to the hazards of materials handling: "The National Safety Council gave top billing in 1949 to materials handling for causing a quarter of all temporary total disability accidents. Of these, 85% were caused by lifting."

Equipped with a variety of skips and loaders, the hoist moves on its own casters, locking in place with two floor locks. Push button control allows one operator to lift and dump items mechanically. With a lifting capacity of from 100 to 1500 lbs., the Cesco Dumper handles up to 100 loads or 150,000 lbs. per hour.

Complete information may be obtained by writing Colson Equipment and Supply Co., 1317 Willow St., Los Angeles, Calif. or the Cesco Dumper Division of Essex Conveyors, Inc., 165 Franklin Ave., Nutley 10, N. J. Circle No. 35 on Reader Service Card.

#### Non-Staining Protective Wrap:

Literature from Thilmany Pulp & Paper Company describes the firm's duplex reinforced protective wrap with non-staining blond elastic laminant. Said to be flexible, strong and puncture-resistant, it was developed and manufactured specifically for the upholstered furniture industry.

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#### Coating Machines:

A brochure on Potdevin sheet coating and gluing machines has been published by Potdevin Machine Company. Several suggested plant layout diagrams are illustrated, showing the most efficient arrangements for high-speed coating operations.

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#### Label Printer:

Literature from Dennison Manufacturing Co. describes the Dennison Dial-Set System for printing identifying information on tags or labels. It prints a full line of alphabetical or numerical characters in predetermined positions on tags or labels.

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#### Self-Sealing Wrap:

Literature from Sherman Paper Products Corporation describes Spot-Seal wrap, a wrap that sticks only to itself and forms a tight, dust-proof package. Made of kraft paper laminated to a film of cohesive rubber, it seals itself around objects without sticking to them.

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#### "Pack to Attract":

"Pack to Attract" is a book published by The Hinde & Dauch Paper Company which suggests that creative packages have a function of product promotion as well as their primary function of product protection. Included are photos of modern, sales-winning boxes used by leading manufacturers.

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#### Clark Celebrates 50th Year

A N INDUSTRIAL dump truck manufactured by the 50-year-old Clark Equipment Company for its own use was the send-off that started the company in the material-handling business.

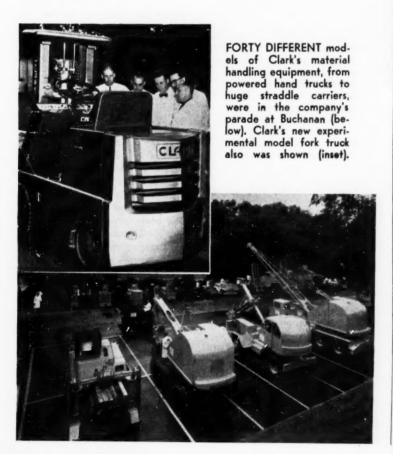
This was during World War I. The company was turning out axles and wheels for the federal government. As a means of expediting production, Clark engineers built a fleet of three-wheeled dump trucks to haul heavy loads around their own plant.

One day a group of manufacturers visited the plant and ordered duplicate models. From that time on, Clark has been in the material handling business.

The company was started in Buchanan, Mich., by the late Eugene B. Clark in 1903, as the George E. Rich Manufacturing Company to manufacture cutting tools from tungsten steel. It had fewer than 20 employees.

Today it has 7,000 and a net worth of \$41,000,000. It has plants in Buchanan, Battle Creek, Jackson and Benton Harbor, Mich.

In August the company commemorated its 50th anniversary with a parade of its equipment at Buchanan. Included in the parade were approximately 40 different models of industrial material-handling trucks, including fork-lift trucks, towing tractors, powered hand-trucks and two lines of products recently acquired through the purchase of the Ross Carrier Company of Benton Harbor.







## **NEW** in useful FREE literature

The publications featured on these pages were written by experts. They are FREE publications. To obtain them use the postcard bound into this issue.

#### **Truck For Narrow Aisles:**

Three bulletins covering the "Transveyor Stacker," riding-type electric industrial truck especially designed for close-quarter narrowaisle operation, are offered by Automatic Transportation Company. The 4-page brochures contain complete specifications for the 2000, 3000 and 4000-pound capacity trucks.

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#### Power Cranes & Shovels:

Released by Thew Shovel Company, a 12-page, two-color bulletin describes the Lorain "80" Series of power cranes and shovels. The bulletin covers design and construction features with many photos (some cutaway) of individual working parts.

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#### Tongs and Hooks:

Handling methods with Heppenstall tongs and "C" hooks are illustrated and described in a 24-page brochure published by Heppenstall Company. The tongs are shown lifting bales, barrels, boxes and warehouse racks, as well as a wide variety of products, including bars, slabs, ingots, die blocks, coils, artillery shells, locomotive wheel tires, tank hulls and turrets, and ingot molds.

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#### Flexible Doors:

Literature from Stic-Klip Manufacturing Co., Inc., describes the "Rubbair Door," flexible double-action doors which may be pushed

open by trucks passing through. As a truck strikes the doors, they bend on impact and absorb shock. Resilience of the doors is acquired through the use of neoprenecoated lightweight pads; which are said to retain their shape permanently.

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#### Crawler Crane Excavator:

Literature from Schield Bantam Company, designated as Bulletin C-100, describes the company's recently-introduced C-35 crawler crane excavator. The literature gives complete specifications and engineering data.

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#### Pallet Lifting Equipment:

American Matling Inc. offers a data sheet describing its pallet trucks, both low lift and high lift. An outstanding advantage of these trucks, according to the company, is their ability to turn a load in an aisle equal to the diagonal of the pallet load.

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#### **Bandits On Your Payroll?**

You may have bandits on your payroll, warns Towmotor Corporation in a cleverly-done brochure. The bandits, they point out, are such thieves as improper loading, improper lifting, improper unloading, improper storage, and others which are robbing industry of millions of dollars every year. The company goes on to explain how savings are possible with Towmotor trucks.

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#### Jib Cranes:

Bulletin C-102 from H. L. Bushman Company contains specifications and descriptive material on typical models of this company's jib cranes. Such features as selfaligning ball thrust bearings and sealed ball bearings are highlighted.

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#### Anchor Floor Plates:

Armco Drainage & Metal Products, Inc., has issued a 4-page illustrated folder on its Stelcon anchor floor plates. It lists such features as rugged construction, low maintenance, safety, more efficient handling, and economy of installation and use.

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#### Versatile Handling Truck:

Marvel Industries, Inc., describes its Liftomatic truck in a 4-page bulletin. The truck is designed and constructed to eliminate the use of hooks, special noses and additional manpower in moving containers with chimes. Containers 7 inches to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet high can be conveyed.

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#### Overhead System:

Bulletin 108 from The Forker Corporation tells the complete story of the Ohio Tramrail System, which is an overhead transportation system, attached to the ceiling or overhead structure. Specifications, drawings and photos of the various component parts are included.

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#### Revolving Head:

A revolving head attachment for Raymond electric trucks is announced in Bulletin 732-Y, available from The Raymond Corporation. Included are complete specifications for the attachment, which can be equipped on any standard 2000 or 3000 pound capacity straddle-type truck.

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#### Front End Loader:

Complete specifications for the Baker-Lull 4B front end loader mounted on various models of R. H. Sheppard industrial-type tractors are shown in a two-color catalog sheet available from Baker-Lull Corp. The literature is designated Form A5202-1.

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#### **Aluminum Conveyor:**

Speedways Conveyors, Inc., announces the availability of a bulletin on the Speedways aluminum gravity conveyor. The bulletin is complete with photos and detailed specifications of all standard models, and information for installation of the conveyor also is included.

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#### Compact Truck:

A compact truck which is said to be designed for more work per day is described in a catalog sheet from Erickson Power Lift Trucks, Inc. Complete specifications and engineering drawing of the 4000-pound fork truck are contained in the sheet.

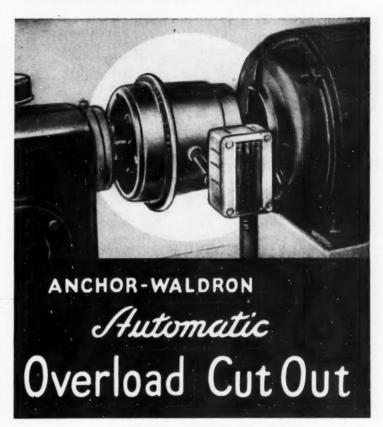
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#### Wheel Catalog:

Goddeyne Wheel Products offers a catalog which describes and illustrates the firm's complete line of industrial wheels. Pertinent information and specifications are provided, together with technical data on bearing styles and hub types available.

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The new Leva-Dock Ramp travels up or down automatically to keep on the level with vehicle bed. Thus you can quickly load and unload trucks and trailers without using loose plates, bridge ramps or other slow and dangerous methods. This hydraulic ramp compensates 4 ways for varying truck bed heights, out-of-level trucks and

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#### Rotary Leva-Dock Ramps

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#### Pulpwood Handling By Shovel-Crane:

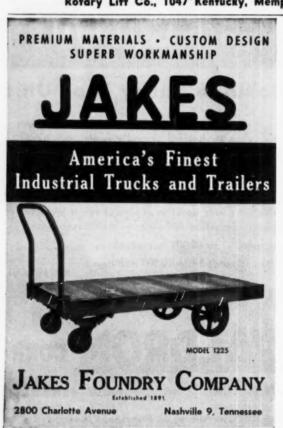
Publication of a booklet on pulpwood handling with shovel-cranes has been announced by Link-Belt Speeder Corporation. The 16-page booklet is edited for executives and others concerned with pulpwood handling at mill-yards and in woodlands in all geographical areas. The booklet, No. 2418, is titled "How To Cut Costs, Speed Pulpwood Handling at the Mill—In Woodlands."

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#### Car Pullers:

A bulletin from Stephens-Adamson Mfg. Co. describes this company's line of car pullers. With these car pullers, says the company, one man can spot cars quickly and with little effort. Both capstan-type and drum-type are described, and the method for determining the proper size car puller is included.

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#### Gasoline Platform Truck:

A two-wheel drive, four-wheel steer low-lift platform truck is described in a two-color folder issued by Elwell-Parker Electric Company. The truck, Type GEP-6, is gasoline powered. Specifications, engineering drawings, operating and construction features, and application photos are included

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#### Unique Transmission:

Engineering features, including the unique power transmission and fluid coupling, in a new 4000-pound capacity fork truck is described in a leaflet from the Mobilift Corporation. Circle 219 on Reader Service Card

#### **Electronic Controls:**

A complete revision of "Cutting Production Costs with Electronic Controls" is available from Photoswitch Incorporated. The 46 new case studies explain how standard packaged electronic controls have solved many problems of weighing, counting, measuring, timing and cycling.

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#### Job-Tailored Trucks:

Catalog 87 from Towsley Trucks, Inc., describes this company's industrial floor trucks which have been designed for the particular job they are to perform. The 26-page catalog lists complete specifications, photos and descriptions of the many models available.

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#### Packaged Drives:

Packaged adjustable-voltage drives for variable speed applications are covered in a 16-page booklet available from Westinghouse Electric Corporation. This booklet, B-5808, gives complete information about this drive, including construction and operation, typical applications, and the economics of operation.

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#### **Profit from Maintenance:**

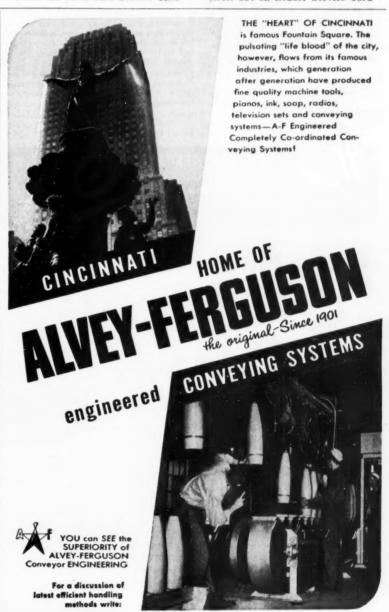
A 4-page bulletin from John W. Hobbs Corporation tells how you can save money by protective maintenance with the help of the Hobbs engine hour meter. The engine hour meter tells when to check and service the many functional parts of powered equipment, and also provides a means of computing costs of specific jobs and keeping records of oil and fuel consumption.

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#### How Batteries Are Made:

An informative booklet from The Electric Storage Battery Company takes you on an inspection tour through the company's Engineering Research Laboratories and the recently-enlarged production facilities at the Crescentville Plant. You'll see how batteries are made, how research and design are carried out, and how the many departments work together to improve the company's products.

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material handling operations in

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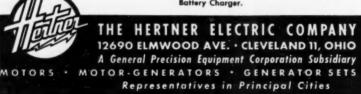
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ciate Professor of Industrial Management, Wharton School, Univer-

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An 8-page catalog from The Alvey-Ferguson Company describes the firm's "Live Rail" wheel convevor system, said to be a new concept in low cost product movement. Complete specifications of the various wheel patterns are listed, as well as examples of some of the many combinations which are possible with the system.

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#### Linked-Cable Conveyor:

A linked-cable trolley conveyor is described in literature from Cable-Link Corporation. Swaged-button ends of lengths of cable are recessed in halves of trolley brackets. When nuts are threaded on tapered "sleeves" of the brackets, the entire trolley assembly is immovable.

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#### New Slant on Handling:

A new slant on material handling is described in a Wayne Liftronics book which shows the application of various lifts with actual installation shots of loading dock ramps, loading dock truck lifts, cross-over bridges, straight platform lifts, industrial service lifts and other specialized types of lifts. Copies of the book are available from The Wayne Pump Company.

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#### **Pneumatic Conveying:**

Bulletin No. 104 from Convair Corp. illustrates typical installations using the company's pneumatic conveying systems. Also illustrated are the basic components comprising the necessary equipment for practically all pneumatic conveying operations.

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#### Wax-Impregnated Belts:

Wax-impregnated belts for package conveyors are described in a 2-page bulletin released by Main Belting Company. These belts are said to remain flexible and moisture-resistant for the life of the belt.

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#### Feeders & Conveyors:

Simplicity Engineering Company announces publication of a 28-page illustrated catalog describing their complete line of screens, feeders and conveyors. It contains detailed information and illustrations.

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#### Low Cost Car Handling:

Improved operational features of the Trackmobile Model 2TM and how they help users achieve lower cost freight car handling are presented in a bulletin, "Solve Your Car Handling Problems," published by Whiting Corporation. In addition to picturing the gasoline-powered switcher's "road to track" flexibility, the bulletin, No. T-112, spotlights such Trackmobile advantages as electric sanders, improved road wheel drive and

steering and increased chain drive power for a maximum draw-bar pull of 8400 pounds. Also included are complete specifications, performance and dimension tables. Circle 232 on Reader Service Card Sprockets and Chain:

The person who selects, specifies or buys roller chain and sprockets probably will find all the data required in a 24-page bulletin available from Dodge Manufacturing Corporation.

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## Compression Set and Recovery

Cushioning materials must be resilient to provide continued protection against the many handlings and shocks received in transit. As most available materials are not completely elastic, they lose height when under a continued load. This condition is termed "set". When the load is removed, the height of the cushioning will be less than it was originally. However, once the load has been removed, the material will continue to regain its height, a phenomenon termed "recovery". Therefore, any height measurement after a load has been removed from cushioning must take into consideration the elapsed time between load removal and measurement.

"Permanent set" is the height loss which remains after recovery has reached its end point, and results from internal damage or dislocation of the material.

An understanding of set is important since it is a factor which results in a change in the dimension of the cushioning, thereby introducing unfilled space that permits the product to move freely or rattle in the package, and result in greater accelerations during handling and vibrations in transit.

Check the following properties of all cushioning material which you might consider for use in the package for your product:

- Compression—Select the cushioning material with correct compression by considering such factors as weight, strength and surface area of the product and the size of the container as it limits the space for cushioning.
- Compression Set—It is desirable to use a cushioning material with compression set characteristics which are at a minimum. This property can be checked for each packag-

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ing material under consideration according to standards outlined in Federal Cushioning Specifications.

- 3. Efficiency-This property is the proportion of energy absorbed for a stated load and deflection (compression). It tells the difference between the load-deflection curve shapes of two materials similar in all other respects.
- 4. Density-Provides indication of amount of weight added to the total package for a given volume. It is not a measure of compression or cushioning power of a material.
- 5. Dusting-The occurrence of small particles resulting from severe flexing or vibrating of the cushioning material. Such particles can contaminate or interfere with the mechanical operation of a product.
- 6. Corrosiveness-Cushioning materials sometimes contain chemicals which release corrosive solutions when in contact with moisture. Use these with proper precautions.
- 7. Effect of Moisture-Since packages are to be expected to pass through varying atmospheric conditions, be sure to study the effects of high humidity on the cushioning materials you are considering.

#### Blocking, Bracing and Dividers

Just as with cushioning, the primary functions of any bracing within a package are to absorb, transform and distribute shocks and to prevent chafing or abrasion.

Interior blocking and bracing should always be located to take maximum advantage of crate design and the inherent strength of the product. When using nailed wooden and wirebound boxes and crates it is desirable wherever possible, to bolt the contents to heavy members of the base.

Heavy articles such as machinery, require the use of blocking to prevent movement within the container. Blocks or braces employed in this manner are often shaped to at the contour of the part at the





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#### PACKAGE INTERIOR

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point of contact. They should be so positioned as to localize the stresses at the points where the article is best able to withstand them.

In determining the best interior packing for a corrugated container, a packaging engineer must consider: 1. the type of protection required; 2. the bracing material which provides enough strength and cushioning at the proper points; 3. material which does the required job with as little waste as possible. Die cut sheets make possible bracing at almost any point, no matter how intricate the product. If heavy products are to be enclosed however, die-cut sheets might not provide the strength required. It might then be necessary to install built-up pads made up of layers of corrugated board. This method will usually require the use of an excessive amount of material. It is not uncommon to find

relatively standard corrugated dividers or inserts being used in conjunction with special die cuts, built-ups, etc., to give as much strength as is required at a minimum of cost.

#### **Protection Against Corrosion**

In addition to the protection given by proper interior blocking, bracing and cushioning, it is also often necessary to prepare a package to withstand corrosive atmospheres and the action of fungi and similar living organisms. For such conditions there are a variety of types of contact preservatives, flexible barriers, strippable compounds, and dessicants.

Basically, there are three types of flexible barriers, water proof, moisture-vapor proof, and grease proof. Water proof barriers are used primarily to keep out liquid water such as rain or road spray, but not necessarily to hold out water vapor which might be in the atmosphere. Construction is usually of layers of kraft paper laminated with cross-laid reinforcing





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fibres, imbedded in the adhesive. Water proof barriers make excellent liners for boxes and crates of all types and may be glued, taped, or stapled depending on the requirements brought about by the specific application. The essential ingredient of water-vapor proof barriers is aluminum foil, which even in the thickness of 1/1000inch has a water vapor transmission rate so low as to be difficult to measure. Flexible plastic film is usually bonded onto one surface of the foil to permit heat sealing and at the same time to provide a seal over the pin holes which are bound to form in foil during the packaging operation. For greater strength and flexibility, cotton cloth backing is often laminated to the barrier.

#### Function of Barriers

The primary function of grease proof barriers is to act as a retainer for preservative oil or grease which has been used as a coating on a metal part.

Also available to protect against moisture, are foils, kraft papers, and combinations of both which have been treated with volatile corrosion inhibitors. When used as pouches or as liners for containers, they not only protect against entrance of excess moisture, but also prevent rust from occurring as a result of moisture already in the package.

#### Dessicants and Humidity Indicators

Dessicants or drying agents should be placed into packages with products which require protection from moisture. The dessicant absorbs the water vapor in the air and thus reduces the relative humidity of the package to a safe level. Any water vapor which does diffuse into the package is also absorbed.

Excellent guides to the determining of the correct amount of dessicant to use are two formulas contained in Military Specification MIL-P-116B. They can be used in conjunction with two types of dehydrated packages. . . .

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These two formulas have been reproduced with this article.

Two types of humidity indicators currently available are indicator cards and "bulls-eye" indicators.

One type of card is actually made up of envelopes containing a dessicant which turns from blue to pink as the relative humidity increases from 20% to 60%. Each envelope contains a color chart and a transparent window permitting the color of the dessicant within the card to be compared with the chart to determine the relative humidity of the package.

Another type card comes with three or six spots which change from pink to blue or vice versa, with changes in relative humidity. On the three spot card, one spot changes color at 65% relative humidity, another changes at 40% and the last at 30%. The six-spot card is graduated from 10% to 60% relative humidity. Each spot has an accuracy of plus or minus 5% relative humidity.

The bulls-eye indicator consists of a glass cartridge filled with an indicating dessicant. The unit is equipped with gaskets and metal fittings which permit it to be fastened to a nipple welded to a container shell. It provides an easy means for determining the relative humidity inside a package without opening it.

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plates since they can be surprisingly weak and are subject to extreme bending.

Bridge plates should be purchased to handle specific maximum loads with the idea in mind that future loads will be heavier and speed of movement faster than at the time of purchase. Attempting to be economical in bridge plate selection through purchase of a unit which suits present requirements, and no more, can hurt you in two ways. It can cost you the price of another plate in the future when volume and loads handled increase, and it can result in serious accidents if overloaded.

Length of a bridge plate is of extreme importance and will have an effect on the speed of rations as well as the safety. A bridge plate which is short may result in too steep a grade when the difference in height between dock and carrier is great.

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#### Conveyors for Vehicle Loading

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#### A New Development

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ways of securing lading, as have makers of the various types of containers which can be used in packaging.

About 20 types of speciallyequipped cars are available for shipping material safely. Many have been equipped with specific purposes in mind, but several have proven valuable to shippers of almost any type of product.

#### Special Equipment

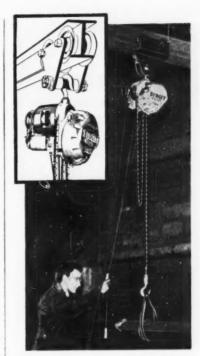
One specially equipped car has walls lined with perforated sheet steel from floor to roof. Double keyhole shaped perforations in the steel wall lining receive the end locking fittings of cross members which can be adjusted to lock against the lading to keep it from shifting while the car is in motion.

In a variation of that type, side walls of a car are equipped with three serrated-edge belts of steel equally spaced from floor to car roof. To these belts, specially designed vertical channel sections are held at any desired location. The cross-members that lock against

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#### Bulkheads

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- 2. Telescoping bulkheads are constructed of bulkhead sections 8 ft. 4 inches wide and 4 ft. high. Telescoping end plates are nailed to sides of cars or trucks. Sections may be placed one on top of the other to completely barricade a section of a vehicle.

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the use of a special type of package which may adversely affect the cost of materials. Various sizes or types of an article may require flexibility which will add to the final cost of a product.

As mechanization increases, one further factor must be considered. Any machine of an economical design can only operate on material within certain limitations. Control of these materials must be such that the machine will be operating within its range in order to assure proper performance of the unit and the quality of the final package.

One of the most important problems faced in the planning of a packaging operation is that of speed vs. flexibility of equipment. Present requirements for speed are: for items packaged in glass, 500 to 600 per min.; in paper (cartons, bags, etc.), 300; in flexible packages (the relatively new plastics) 18 to 60; and shipping cases, 15 to 25 per minute. It cannot be

over-emphasized that the question of speed cannot be considered without taking into consideration other factors such as price of the equipment, package design, maintenance and available space.

If you have a large continuous flow of a single style of pack, then speed becomes the important consideration. On the other hand, where flexibility is desired, the question of the extent of flexibility in relation to the cost of the machine and the soundness of the engineering design must be carefully balanced.

With flexibility, speed generally is sacrificed, certainly as far as overall production capacity is concerned. However, in many cases the small manufacturer has been packing manually and has reached a point where a machine can be justified if it provides sufficient flexibility.

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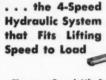
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#### For the Future

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machines are under test which may considerably change present concepts of handling, conveying and storing these smaller units. The requirements of the Armed Services for unit-palletized loads for shipment to supply depots represent the necessity for further development of equipment to successfully produce this pack.

Accurate weighing and filling of products are also attracting greater attention since the avoidance of waste is an important and fertile field for economy and savings.

Automaticity is becoming increasingly important for all production units. The necessity of eliminating manual handling by conveying packing materials and products through various production stations to the end point of a finished packed unit ready for shipment has become of paramount importance.

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#### Tags and Labels

When the surface of a container does not lend itself to adequate marking, or where items do not have sufficient area to be marked, tags or labels are ideal. Ordinarily, tags are made of paper or cardboard, but for excessive distances (overseas shipments, etc.), metal tags are best.

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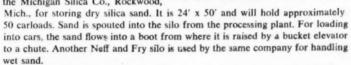
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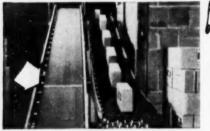
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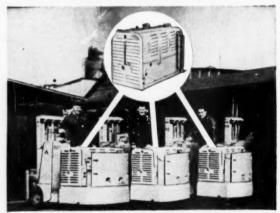
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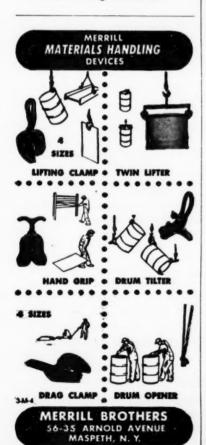
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#### NEW EQUIPMENT . . .

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#### Coil Handler

Dixon Automatic Tool, Inc. has announced a 15,000 lb. capacity coil handler for lifting and turning coils up to 48 inches wide. The device was de-

signed to pick up, turn, transport or stack large, heavy coils. After the unit is placed on a coil, the pressure shoe is adjusted to the coil radial thickness. The pressure shoe has a floating action to allow full bearing on the outer diameter of the coil. A concave surface on the shoe



allows maximum clamping surface. Ten lineal feet of ¼-inch chain is provided as standard equipment. When coils are stacked several tiers high, the chain length allows the operator to release the pressure shoe from the floor. Minimum width capacity is 24 inches and maximum is 48 inches.

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#### Speed Reduction Units

New 13-to-1 ratio series of shaft-mounted speed reduction units has been introduced by the American Pulley Company. Retaining the fea-

tures of the 20-to-1 series, the new units extend the advantages of V-belt drives to cover a wide variety of slowspeed equipment. Said to be adaptable to any shaft size, up



to 3 15/16 inches the speed reducers are compact, requiring only standard shaft lengths (twice the shaft diameter plus clearance) to be mounted directly on the shaft of the driven machine. Two trains of flame-hardened helical gears reduce the driven shaft speed to obtain the 13-to-1 ratio. Gearing and bearings are continuously splash lubricated by the high speed gear and the counter shaft pinion.

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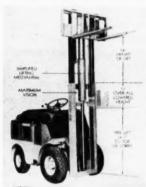
#### Radio Paging System

Transmitting equipment of the new radio paging systems in operation in several major cities is being supplied by the General Electric Company. In the systems subscribers carry vest-pocket radio receivers to receive messages from their offices, homes or other localities. A General Electric transmitter is installed at the paging service headquarters in each of the cities. The systems are being established by the New York Technical Institute of Cincinnati.

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#### Free Lift Mast

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areas is made possible by Towmotor Corporation's new mast and lifting cylinder assembly for the corporation's smaller capacity model LT-35 lift trucks. The mast and lifting cylinder are said to provide unusually high free lift at lowest over-all truck height. The

assembly is interchangeable with standard masts, but affords more free lift and total lift for any given mast height. Lifts available range up to 160 inches with 81¾ inch free lift.

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#### Templets for Layouts

New line of templets, printed on film for plant layouts, is announced by Repro-Templets Inc. The line includes templets, for more than 10,000 standard machine tools and other metal working plant equipment, represent the overall dimensions of the equipment, show, in dotted lines, the floor contact base and are identified with typeset lettering. The company claims the templets, checked for accuracy by the manufacturers of the equipment, provide a precise, time-saving two-dimensional plant layout system, when used in conjunction with film grid sheets.

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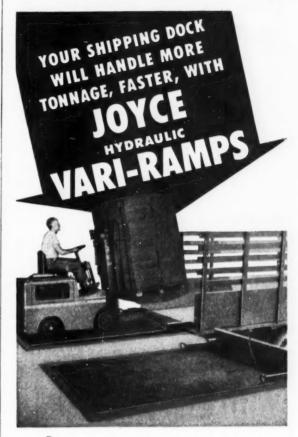
#### Concrete Block Truck

Designed to serve any industry that handles fragile materials, the Market Forge Company's new electric concrete block truck has capacities



of 3000 and 500 pounds and a platform 60 inches long and 31 inches wide. The platform, when lowered, is 13 inches high. The truck, with

automatic control, has four speeds in both directions. Maximum speed is approximately 3½ miles an hour. The front driving wheel is 10½ inches



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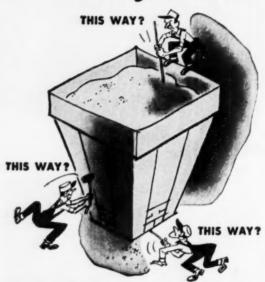
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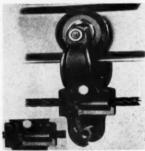
in diameter with a 7-inch face. All wheels have precision sealed ball bearings and cushion rubber treads. The platform is spring suspended for handling green blocks and other articles that are similarly fragile. The platform is lifted by power and lowered by gravity under control of a flow control valve.

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#### Trolleys with Locks

Swaged bushings that lock the trolleys on immovable centers are provided on overhead trolley conveyors manufactured by The E. W.

Buschman Company. A two-piece trolley is bolted over the cylinder bushing, which is permanently locked to preformed cable on accurate centers by high pressure swaging. Multiple lock assemblies on cables of 100 feet or less



and rotary floating trolley to insure true alignment are patented features. Because intermediate and splice pulleys are identical, the manufacturer claims that it is easy to splice the cables. At the



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splices, the bushing at the end of each cable is half length, the trolley completing the splice. The lock grips the cable with a strength equal to the ultimate strength of the cable itself.

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#### Air Hoist

An air hoist, weighing 27½ pounds with capacity to lift 1000-pound loads at 40 feet per minute,



is announced by Aro Equipment Corp. The hoist is a roller chain type, powered by rotary vane air motor. The rate of lift can be regulated by throttle control which is infinitely variable from 0 to 40 feet per minute. This permits inching the load where required. The hoist meets requirements for explosion-proof operation, and also has safety snap hooks,

top and bottom, adjustable safety stops on the chain to limit the lift and descent, and a safety brake which automatically locks when the control is released. Other construction features: standard lift, 8 feet; recommended hose size, ½ inch; minimum hook-to-hook distance, 13¼ inches; overall length, 10 ½ inches; maximum diameter of body, 5 inches.

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#### Crate Handling Attachment

This fork truck attachment for palletless handling of television crates and similarly packaged



items is manufactured by Automatic Transportation Company. The device lifts 2, 4, 6 or 8 crated TV sets at a time with hydraulically-actuated, rubber-faced steel clamps. Clamping range of the crate handler is from 22 to 70 inches, permitting lifting and tiering of the smallest or largest size TV

crate. Mounted on a 2000-pound capacity Automatic Skylift electric truck, the attachment tiers loads through 106 inches of vertical travel. Only one control is needed to operate the clamping mechanism. By lateral movement of a handle lo-





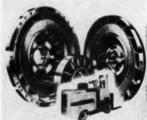
cated next to the truck's steering wheel, the clamps are opened or closed. When the handle is released, it returns to a neutral position, locking the attachment's hydraulic system.

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#### Hydraulic Torque Converters

Heavy-duty hydraulic torque converters for Buda fork trucks have been announced by Torcon

Corporation. The single-stage threeelement unit combines a hydraulic torque converter and a hydraulic coupling into a single unit, including single-piece, aluminum cast wheels, heavy duty



bearings with forced lubrication and lip seals not exposed to high pressure oils. The converters are for either gasoline or diesel-powered equipment. The corporation claims the converters have automatic and infinite speed transmission, longer clutch life, reduced wear on the machinery and operator, and improved starting, humping, ramp work, and high tiering.

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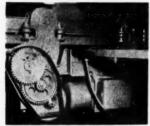
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#### Motor-Driven Trolley

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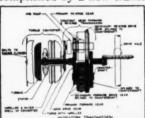
Forker Corporation. The units may be constructed to a short wheel base at 25 inches in a four wheel design or in an eight-wheel design with the wheels 16 inches apart along the line. The trolley

is designed for electrification that carries current conductor bars in a metal housing directly under the track. The current collector shoe is situated in a protected position inside the trolley and resting on the load bar. A double reduction straight spur gear is used to power the drive wheels.

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#### New Truck Transmission

Driving a gas-powered fork lift truck said to be as easy as driving the family automobile is accomplished by a new transmission announced by



the Clark Equipment Company. The truck is operated with the same three controls used to operate an automobile—an accelerator, brake pedal and a forward-reverse selector lever

on the steering column. Need for a gear shift for high and low gears and a clutch and clutch pedal is eliminated. Gear clashing during engagement is also said to be eliminated. The drive consists of a torque converter combined with a single-step, constant-mesh, forward-reverse transmission. To start the truck, the torque converter adds its multiplying force to the fixed gear reduction of the transmission and drive axle. As the vehicle approaches cruising speed, torque multiplication drops to zero.

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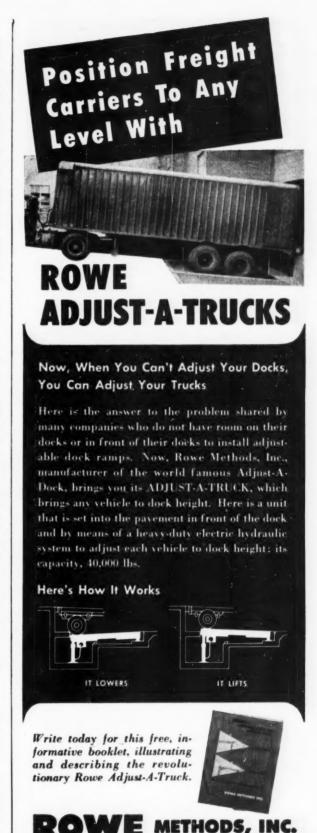
#### **Pusher Tractor**

To meet a demand for tractors capable of heap loading large scrapers, the Caterpillar Tractor Company has announced a new pusher tractor,



which is a combination of a 150-drawbarhorsepower tractor, bulldozer and cable control. It has a total weight of 50,025 pounds and as stand-

ard equipment, a special heavy weight crankcase



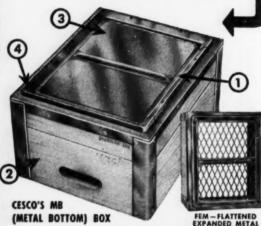
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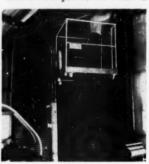
guard and track roller guards. The bulldozer and cable controls are for inline pushing action and clean up of cut. The transmission is designed to give most suitable pushing speed. One of the features of the tractor is the tandem pusher frame attachment for difficult loading conditions.

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#### Safety Work Platform

Built according to state safety regulations the Hamerslag Equipment Company's new safety work platform is for use in conjunction with a

fork lift truck and to provide easy work access at any fork lift elevation. The platform has a fourway fork entry, is 42 inches wide, 42 inches long and 42 inches high with a hinged gate at one side and has a chestlevel safety railing



all around. The floor is faced with a 4-inch toe plate. The unit is mounted on 3-inch rubber casters for easy rolling when not in use. An allmetal, lightweight, portable tool box, designed to fit the platform, is an accessory.

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#### Magnesium-Light Conveyor

A portable roller conveyor system fabricated entirely of magnesium has been introduced by Magline, Inc. The new Magliner conveying sys-



tem combines capacity-rated strength and utility with magnesium lightness and greater ease of handling. According to the manufacturer, the units weigh from 15 to 40 percent less than comparable

equipment of similar size and capacity. The conveyor can be installed as a complete system or supplied in individual sections with couplers to match existing equipment. Portable magnesium stands in three heights from 17 inches to 72 inches above floor level also are available.

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#### Calibrated Wire Rope

Wire rope calibrated with special marking pigments developed as a result of extensive research is being produced by the Paulsen-Webber Cordage Corporation. The rope is marked in accurate colored bands at 5-foot intervals, as standard practice, but also may be marked in feet or

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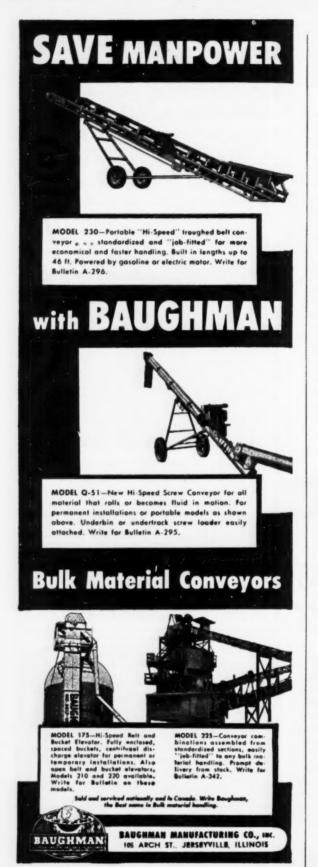
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fathoms at any desired intervals. The rope, in diameters of ½-inch to 1½ inches, is made of improved plow steel and standard plow steel.

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#### "Flip Switch"

Gravity line pitch adjustments to change direction of material flow are eliminated by a new wheel conveyor "Flip Switch" announced by the

Rapid-Standard Company, Inc. It permits handling of both incoming and outgoing stock on a single belt conveyor. Two gravity wheel sections are mounted back in a rigid frame and rotated on a pivot. In one position the "Flip Switch" flows material away from the belt. Rota-



tion brings up the opposite "Flip Switch" section to flow material in the opposite direction. The single self-contained unit takes the place of separate curved or straight sections which formerly had to be detached or connected with each change in direction of flow. It is designed for use with a wheel conveyor 18 inches wide and to handle

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cases short as 7 inches. It is obtainable in either spur or Y-switch design. An automatic case stop holds material back until the line is in operating position.

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#### Self-Assembled Trucks

Shipped knocked down, a new series of floor trucks, which are assembled by the user and can be altered to meet changing needs, has been



introduced by the Leebaw Manufacturing Company. The manufacturer states the complete truck may be put together in less than five minutes. All parts are replaceable and interchangeable without fastenings. Trucks are of all-steel weld-

ed construction with gray enamel finish. Standard shelves are 5%-inch plywood bound with steel angles. Steel shelves with 1-inch flanges, turned up or down, are optional. Shelf and deck sizes are 20 inches by 36 inches. Overall truck dimen-



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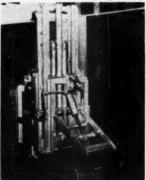
sions are 22½ inches by 42 inches. Available in four models, the trucks have capacities of 500 and 1500 pounds.

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#### Truck to Carry Dies

An electric truck, designed for handling dies weighing up to one ton, has been developed by

The Raymond Corporation. The new truck is equipped with special hydraulic push-pull device for die placement or removal at storage racks or flat bed presses. To load the truck a chain is attached to the die and the push-pull, which pulls it onto the truck platform.



The hydraulic device also pushes the die off the platform and onto the rack or press. The truck is equipped with an angle winch to facilitate loading at an inclined press. The die handling platform is a 24 by 30-inch removable plate which rests on adjustable forks that can be lengthened from 9½ inches to 30½ inches.

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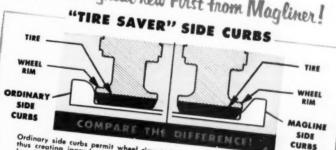


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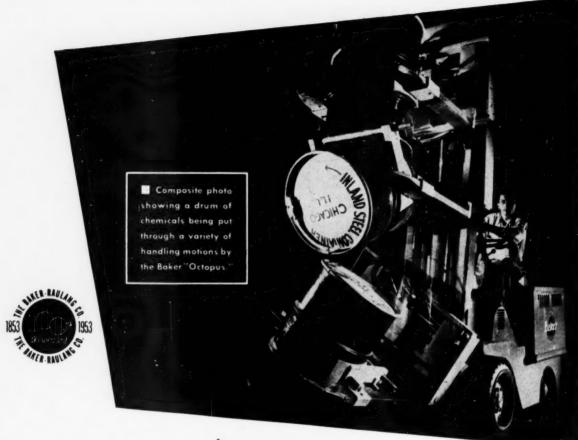


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